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SEGA

SONIC



THE HEDGEHOG

**THE GOOD,
THE BAD,
AND THE
UNKNOWN**

**ROUND
2 OF 4**



**VS.
SHADOW
THE HEDGEHOG**



**VS.
METAL
SONIC**



UD RAY'04

**IT MOVES SILENTLY, EFFORTLESSLY,
RELENTLESS IN ITS TRAJECTORY
ACROSS THE SURFACE OF MOBIUS--**

**--AS IT FINALLY
HOMES IN ON ITS
DESTINATION
POINT--**

**--SOMEWHERE
OUT IN THE
BARREN,
DISTANT
LANDSCAPE--**

**--WHICH NO LIVING
BEING HAD TROD
UPON FOR WELL
OVER A
MILLENNIA--**

**--UP UNTIL THE PAST
TWENTY-FOUR
HOURS AGO--**

**--AS *METAL*
SONIC
NOW BECOMES
THE LATEST WILD
CARD TO MAKE
THE SCENE!**

**OF COURSE, THE STATUS OF
HIS SENTIENCE AS TO BE
CONSIDERED A LIFEFORM
IS QUESTIONABLE AT
BEST.**

**SIXTEEN
HOURS AGO,
HOWEVER--**

SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG

AND HIS FRIENDS HAD ARRIVED TO INVESTIGATE A MYSTERIOUS EXPLOSION ONLY TO DISCOVER A STRANGE AND DEEPLY VAST UNDERGROUND COMPLEX.

AT THIS MOMENT, TAILS AND TOMMY ARE TRYING TO FIND THEIR FRIENDS INSIDE THE HI-TECH MAZE THEY FIND THEMSELVES IN...

YO!!!
ANYONE
HERE?!

SONIC?
ROTOR?

ANYBODY?

I DON'T
LIKE THIS
MILES!

ANY
IDEAS?

THE GOOD, THE BAD & THE UNKNOWN PART TWO: **IGNITION**

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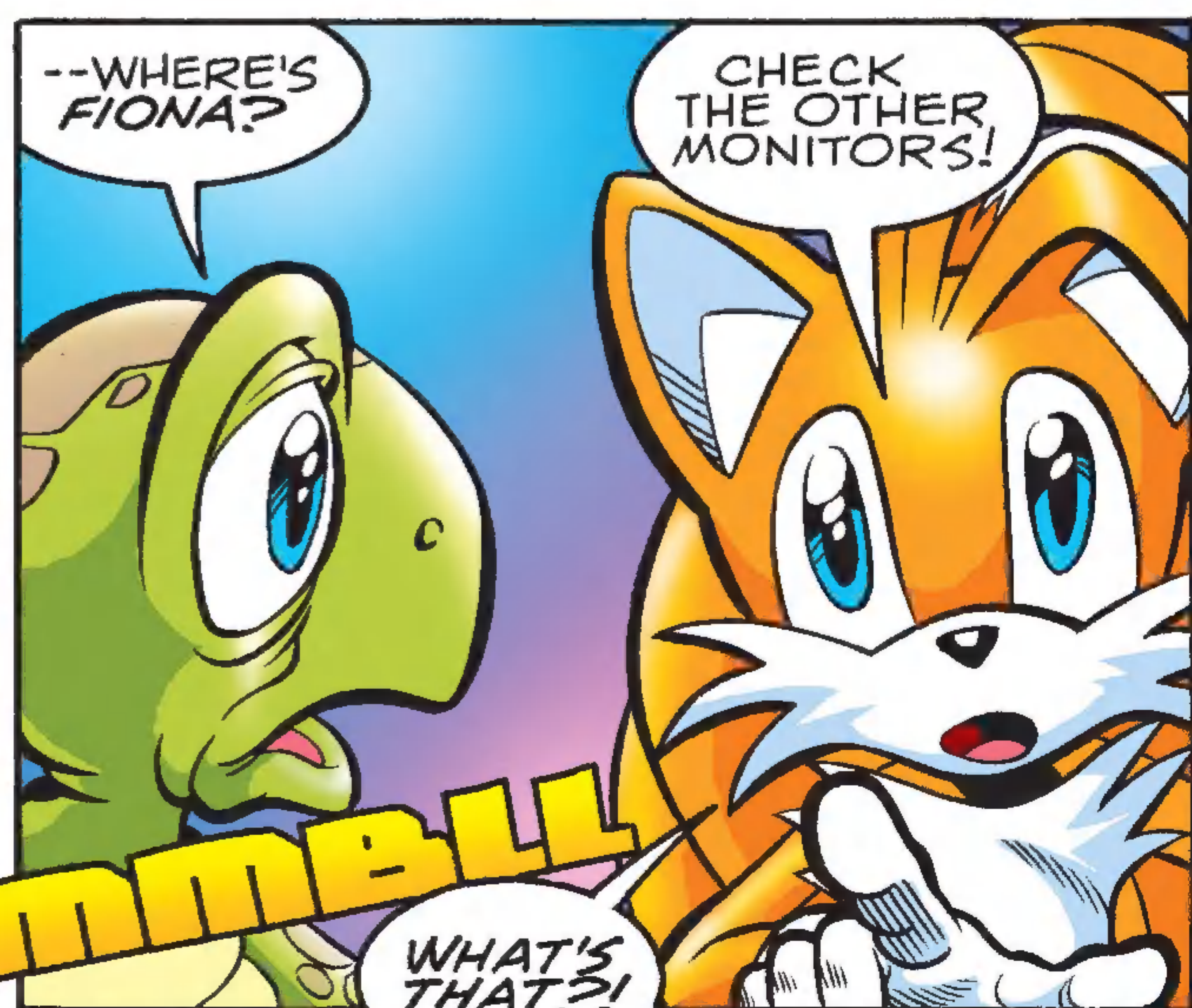
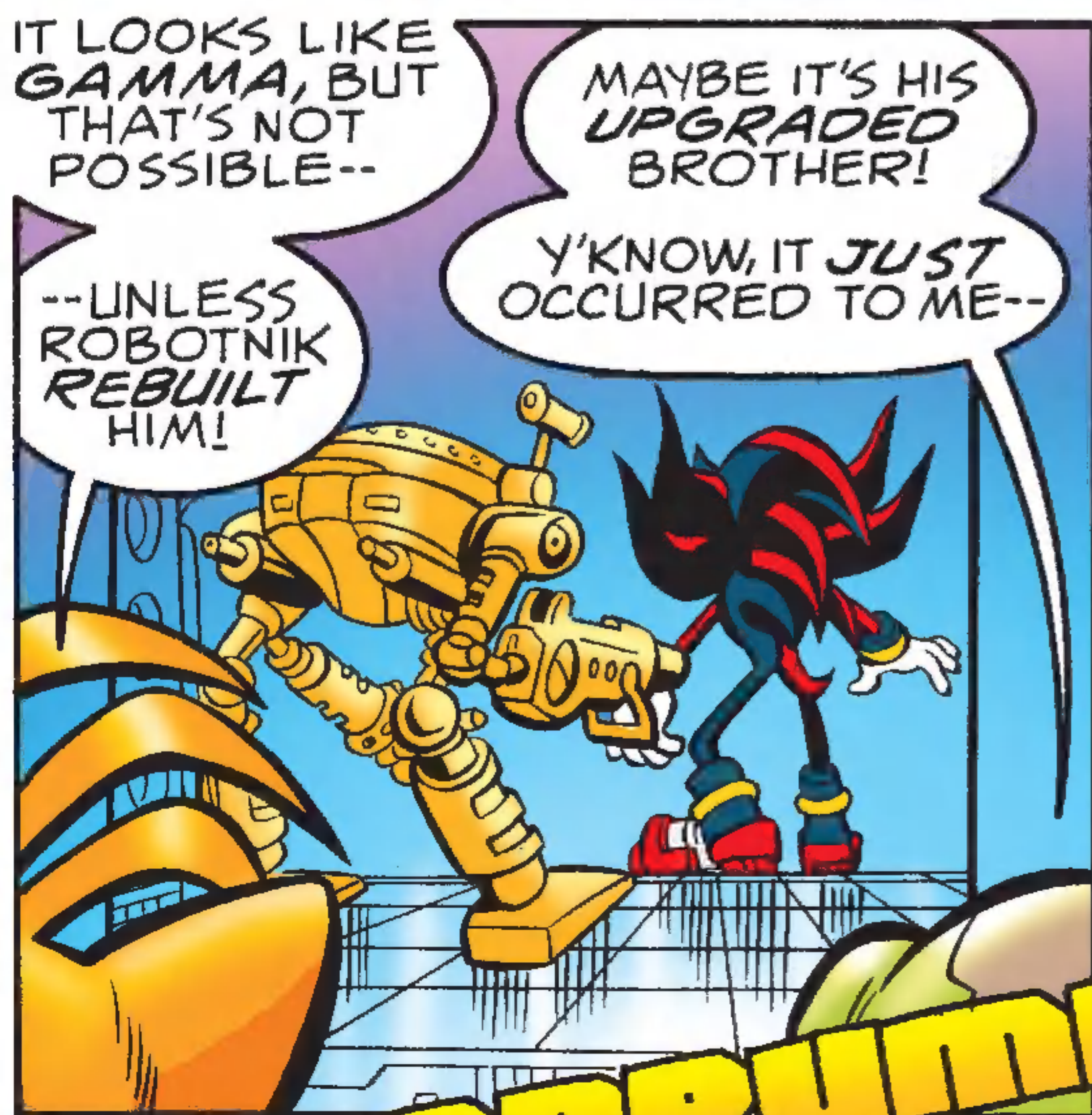
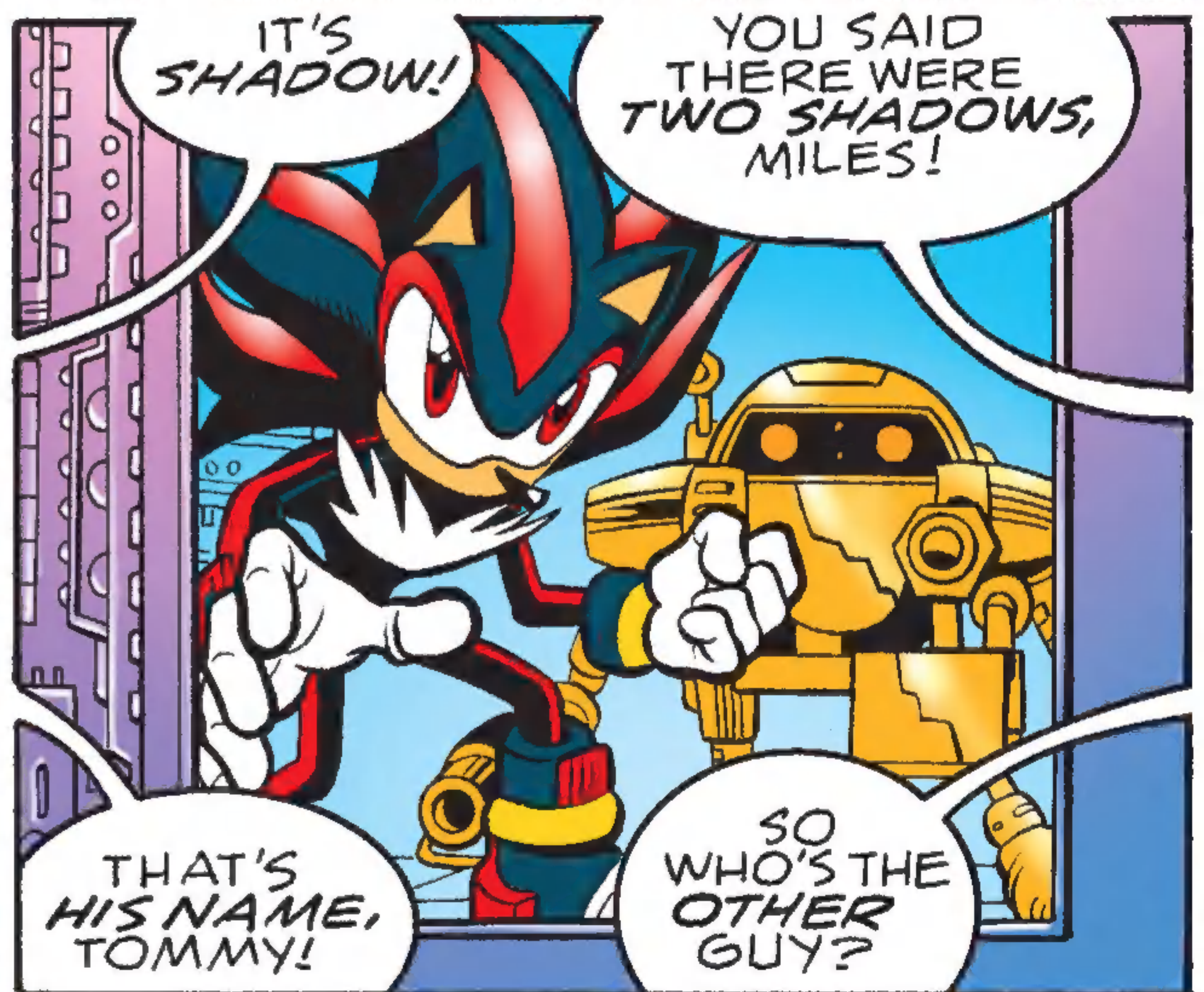
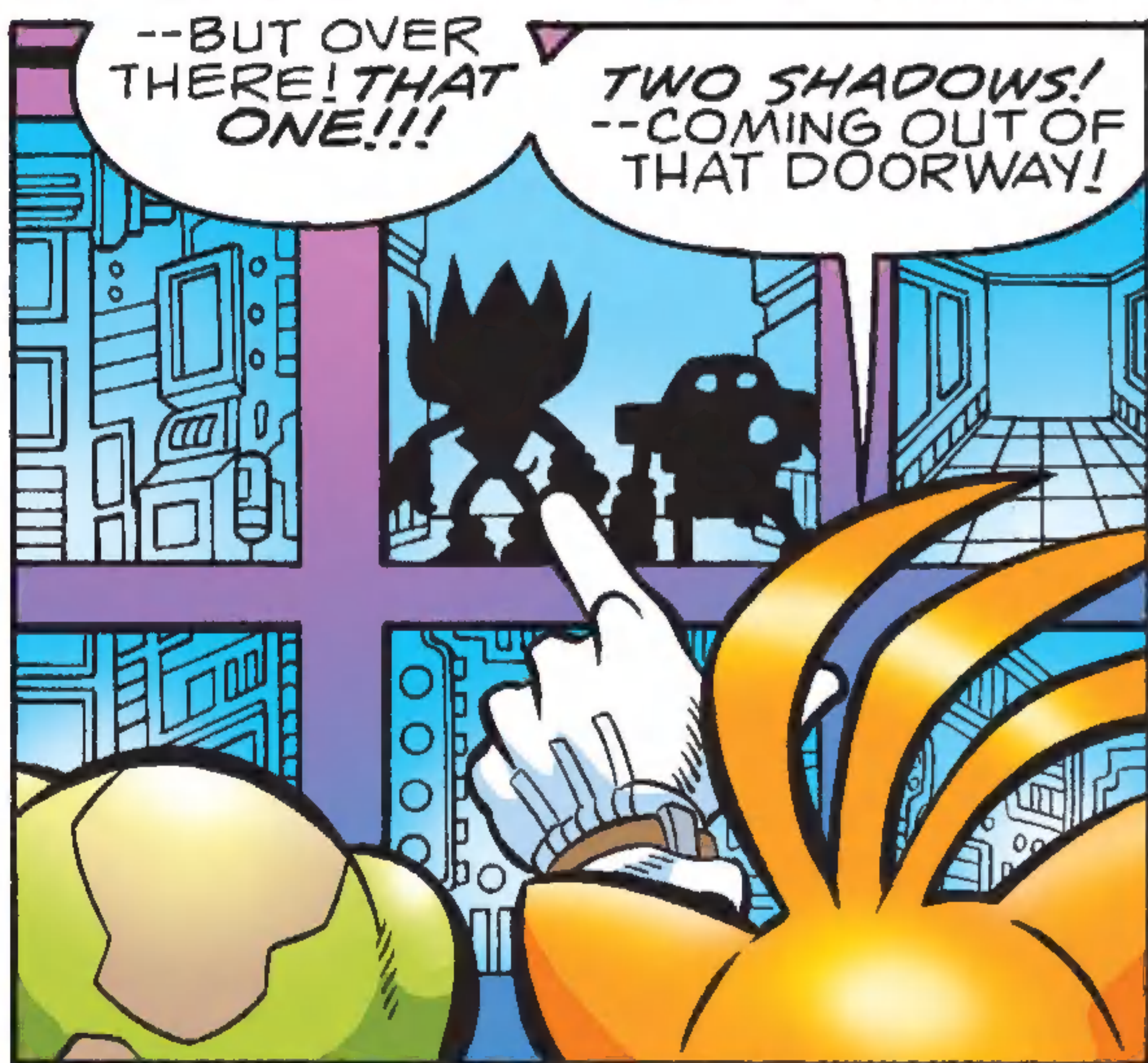
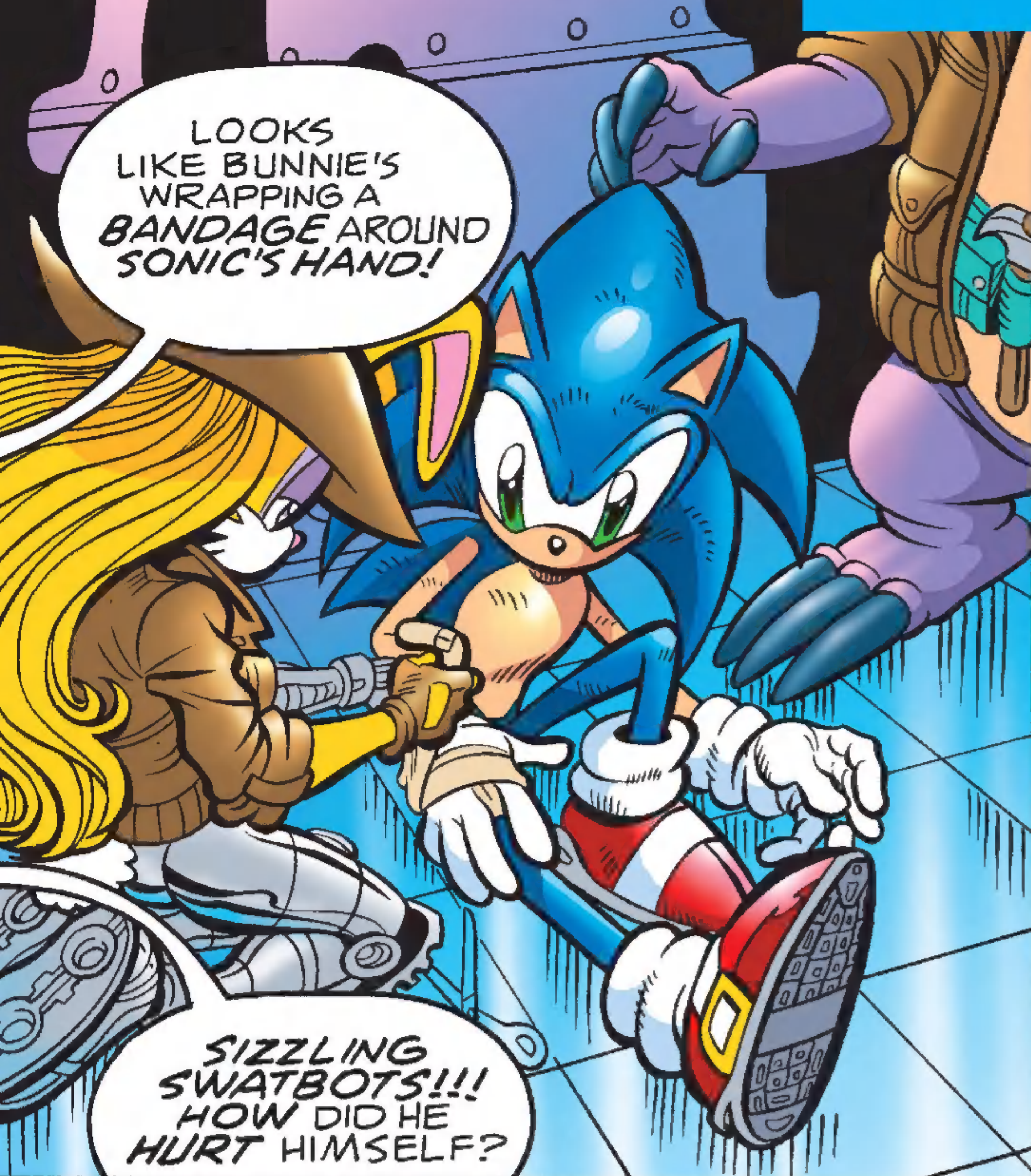
THIS LOOKS
INTERESTING!

WAIT A MINUTE,

LOOK!

OVER THERE...
SONIC, ROTOR
--AND BUNNIE--

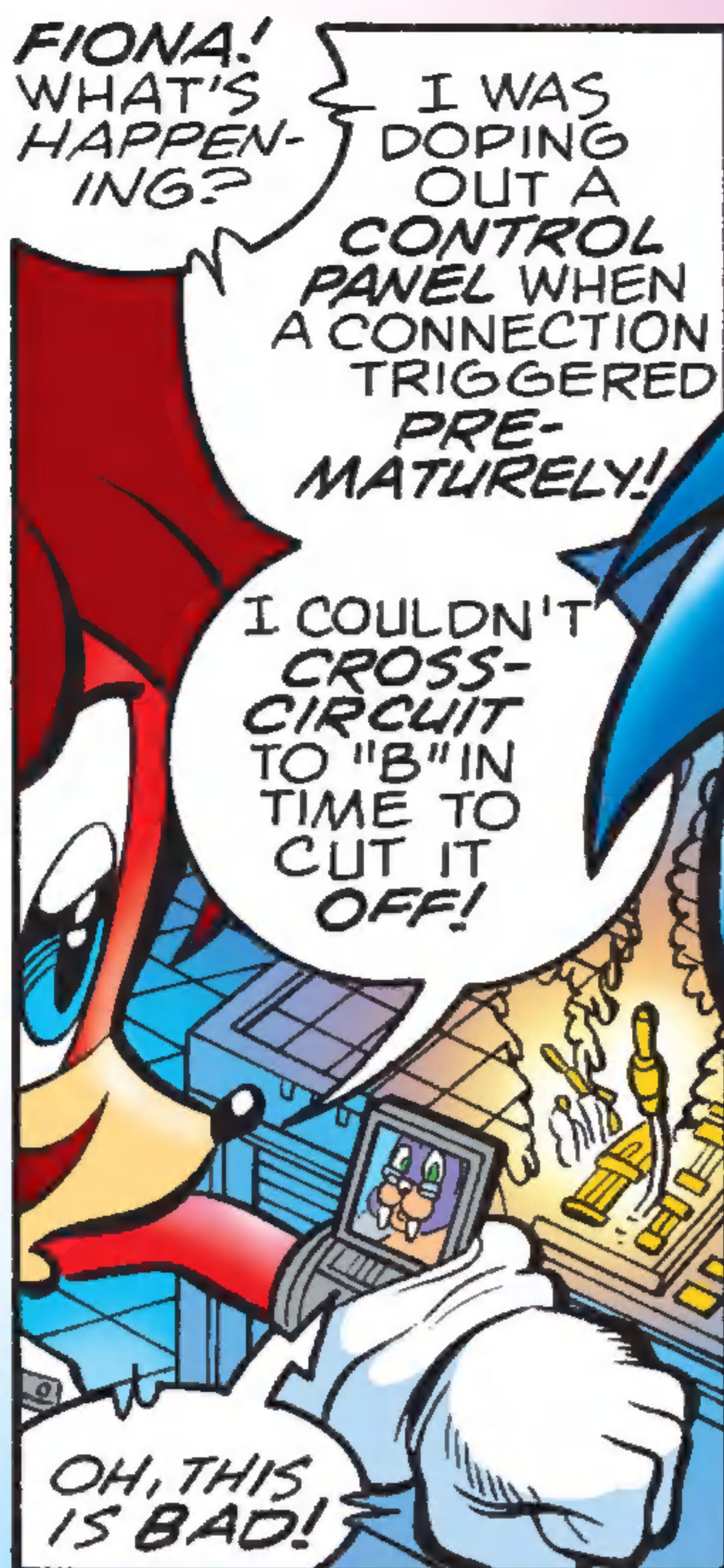
--AND
SOMETHING'S
WRONG!!!





ARRR GHHH!

WHOEVER DID THE WIRING IN THIS PLACE SHOULD BE STRUNG UP BY THEIR THUMBS!

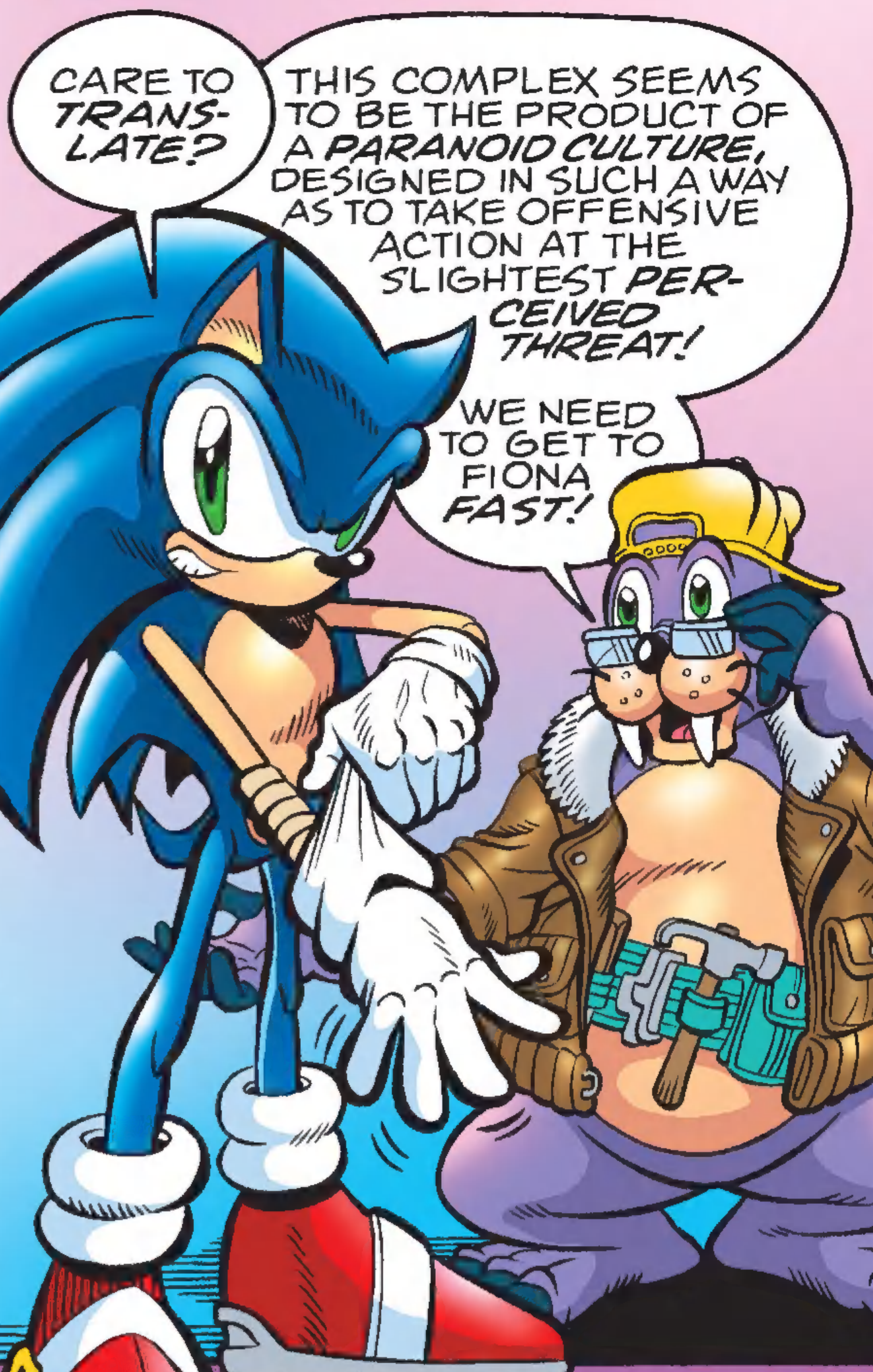


FIONA! WHAT'S HAPPENING?

I WAS DOPING OUT A CONTROL PANEL WHEN A CONNECTION TRIGGERED PREMATURELY!

I COULDN'T CROSS-CIRCUIT TO "B" IN TIME TO CUT IT OFF!

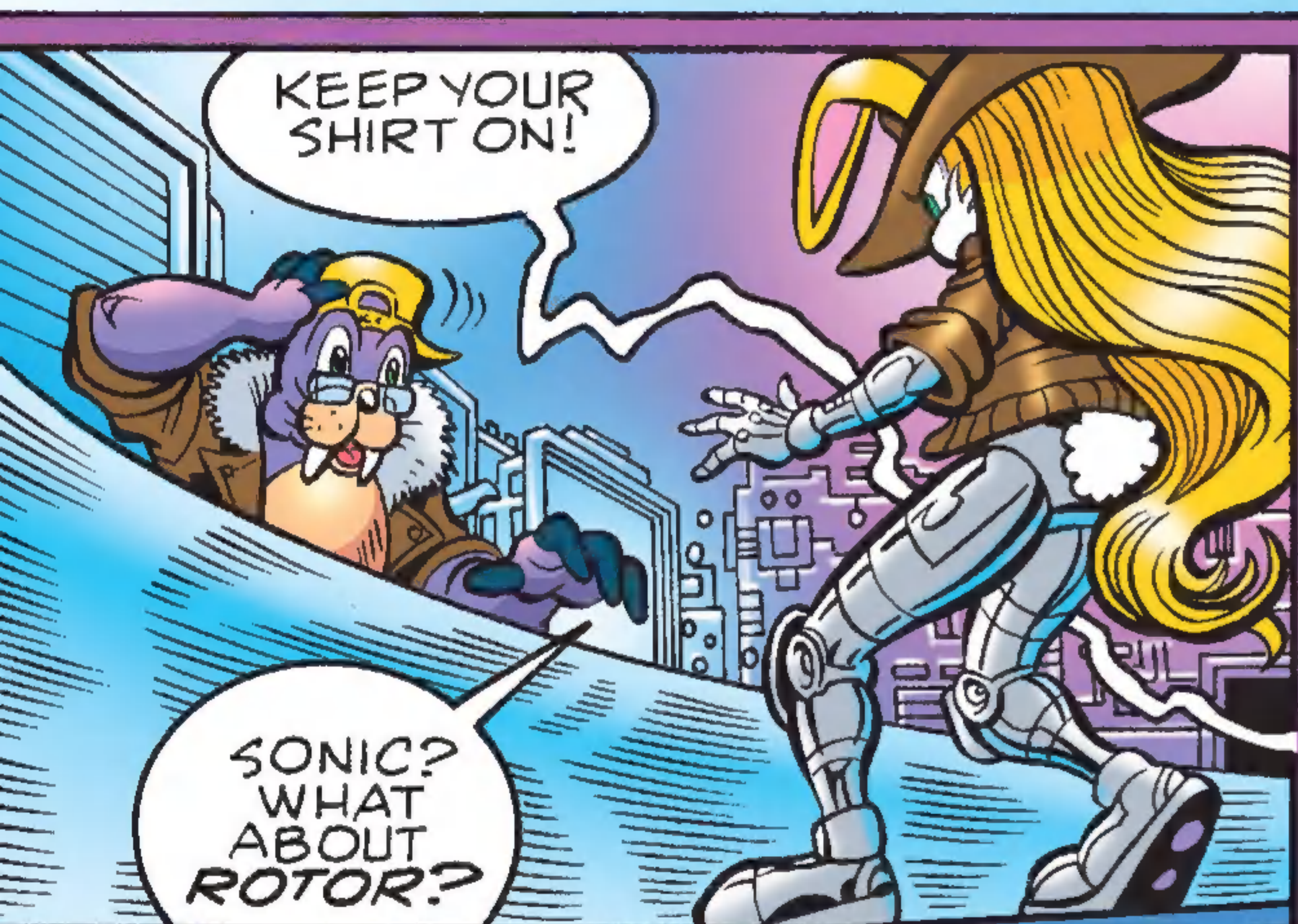
OH, THIS IS BAD!



CARE TO TRANSLATE?

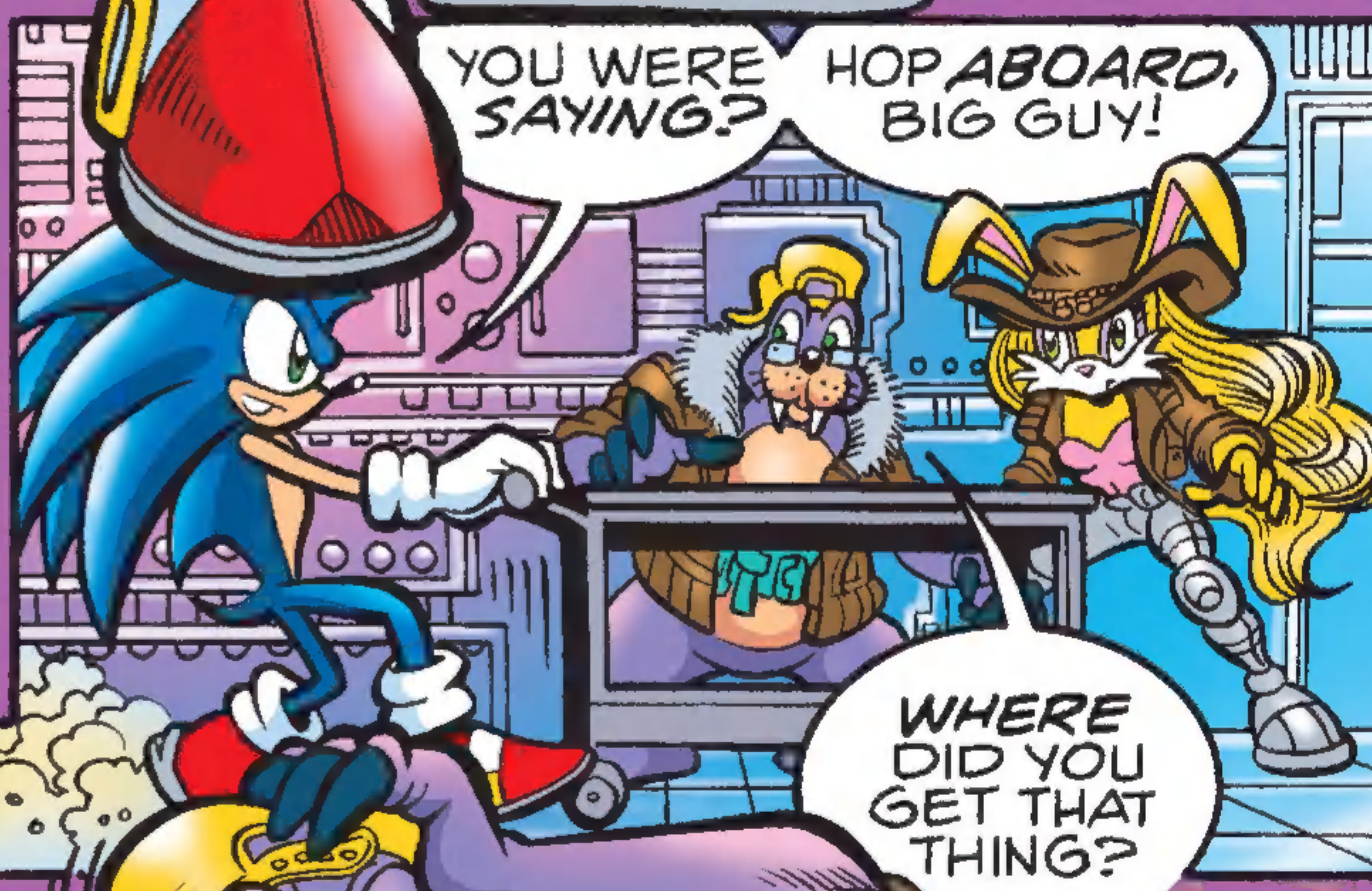
THIS COMPLEX SEEMS TO BE THE PRODUCT OF A PARANOID CULTURE, DESIGNED IN SUCH A WAY AS TO TAKE OFFENSIVE ACTION AT THE SLIGHTEST PERCEIVED THREAT!

WE NEED TO GET TO FIONA FAST!



KEEP YOUR SHIRT ON!

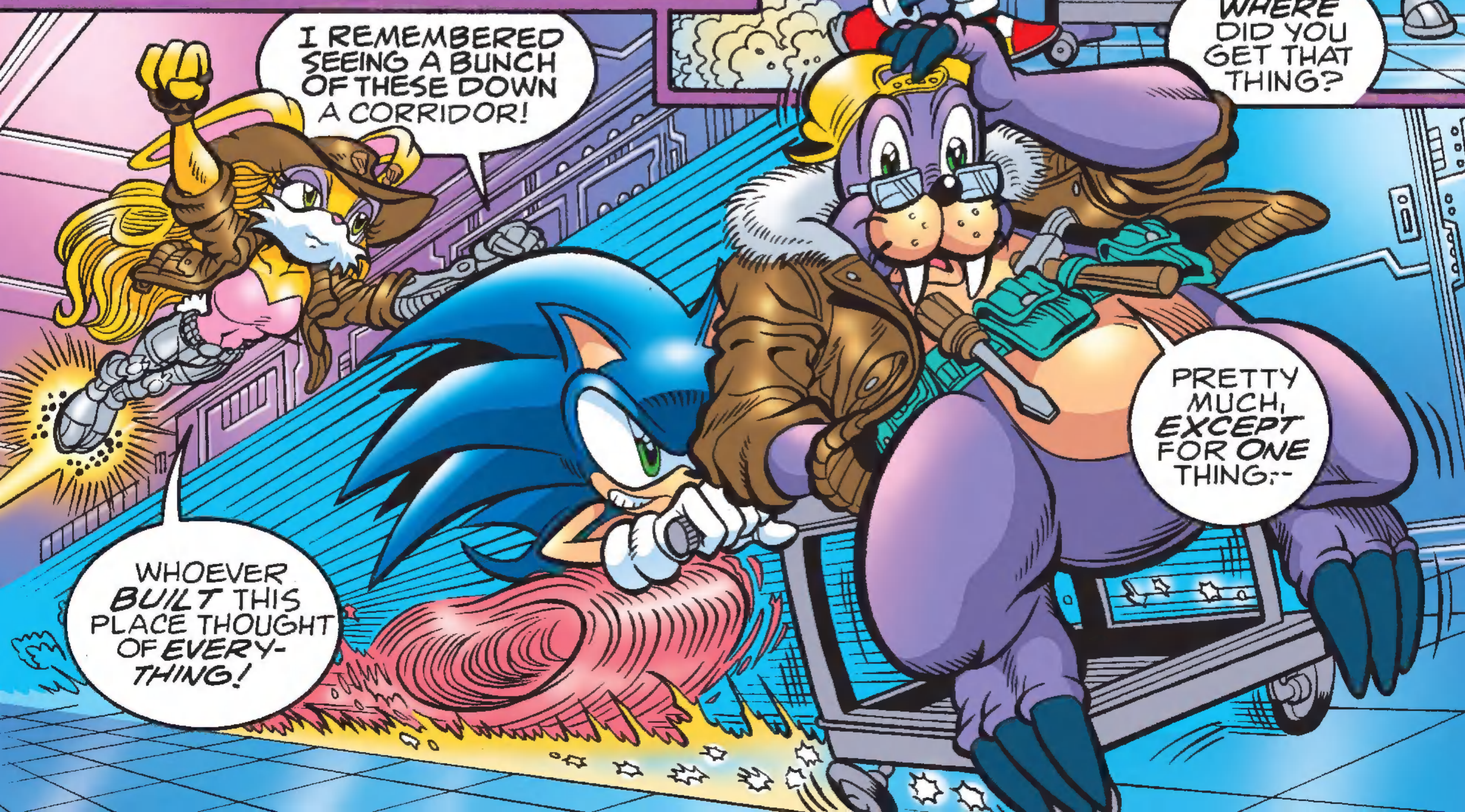
SONIC? WHAT ABOUT ROTOR?



YOU WERE SAYING?

HOP ABOARD, BIG GUY!

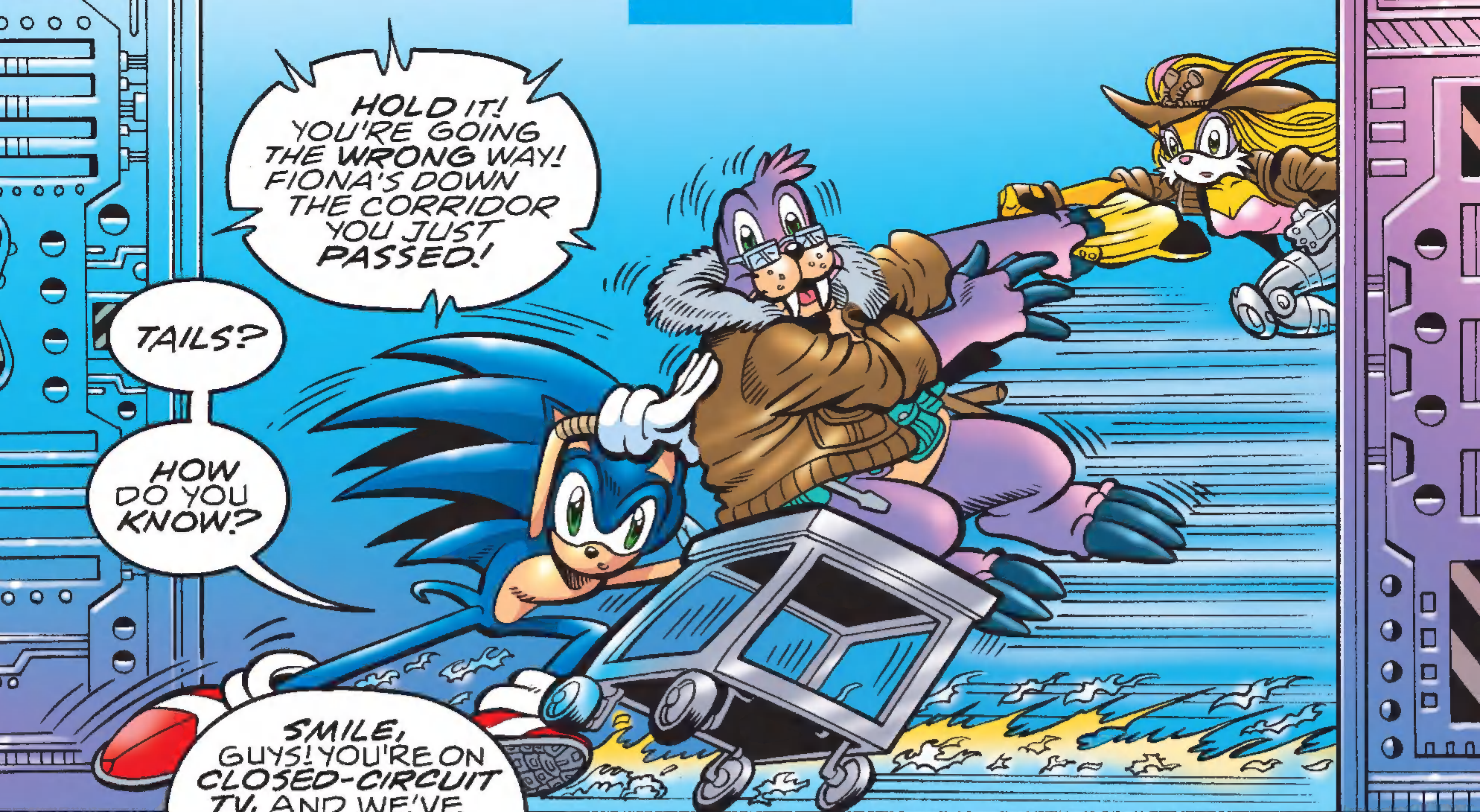
WHERE DID YOU GET THAT THING?



I REMEMBERED SEEING A BUNCH OF THESE DOWN A CORRIDOR!

WHOEVER BUILT THIS PLACE THOUGHT OF EVERYTHING!

PRETTY MUCH, EXCEPT FOR ONE THING:-



HOLD IT!
YOU'RE GOING
THE WRONG WAY!
FIONA'S DOWN
THE CORRIDOR
YOU JUST
PASSED!

TAILS?

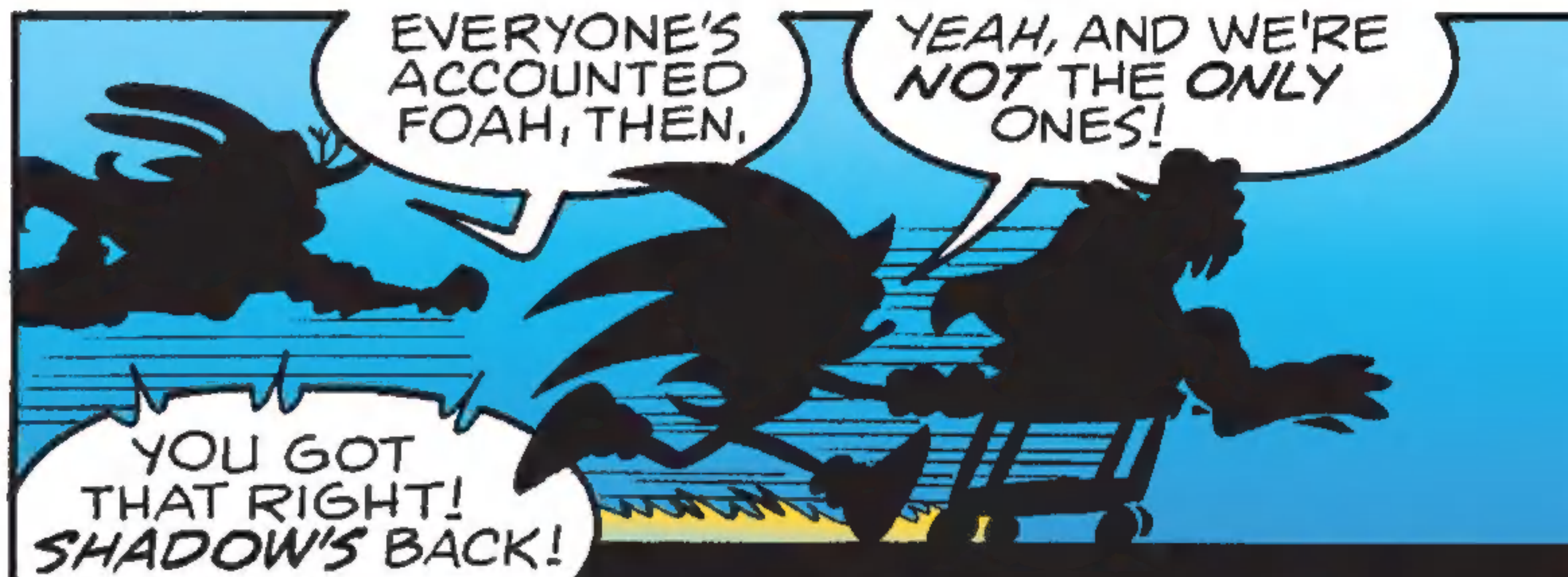
HOW
DO YOU
KNOW?

SMILE,
GUYS! YOU'RE ON
CLOSED-CIRCUIT
TV, AND WE'VE
GOT A RING-
SIDE SEAT
TO EVERY-
THING!

IT
APPEARS...

...WE'RE IN
A CONTROL
ROOM OF
SORTS!

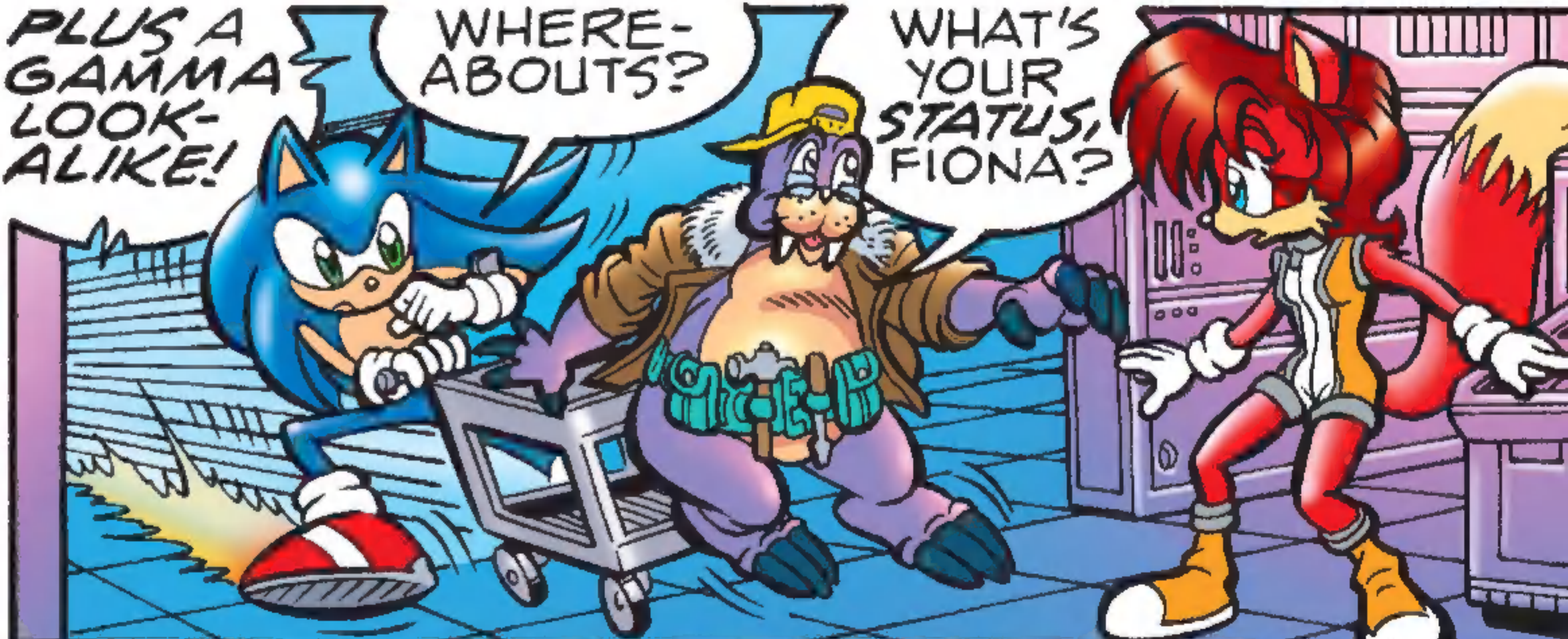
THAT
SOUNDS
LIKE
TOMMY!



EVERYONE'S
ACCOUNTED
FOAH, THEN,

YEAH, AND WE'RE
NOT THE ONLY
ONES!

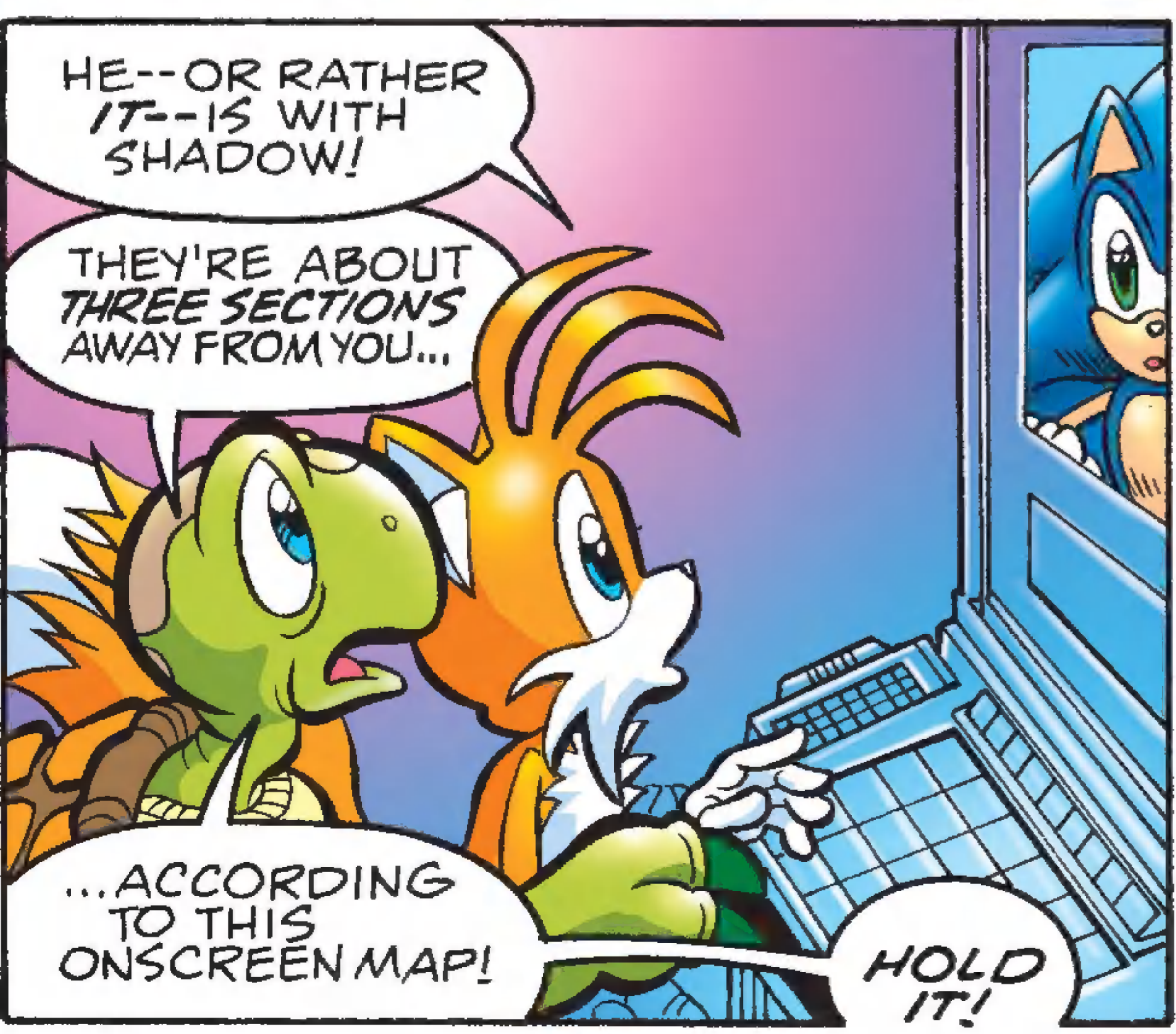
YOU GOT
THAT RIGHT!
SHADOW'S BACK!



PLUS A
GAMMA
LOOK-
ALIKE!

WHERE-
ABOUTS?

WHAT'S
YOUR
STATUS,
FIONA?

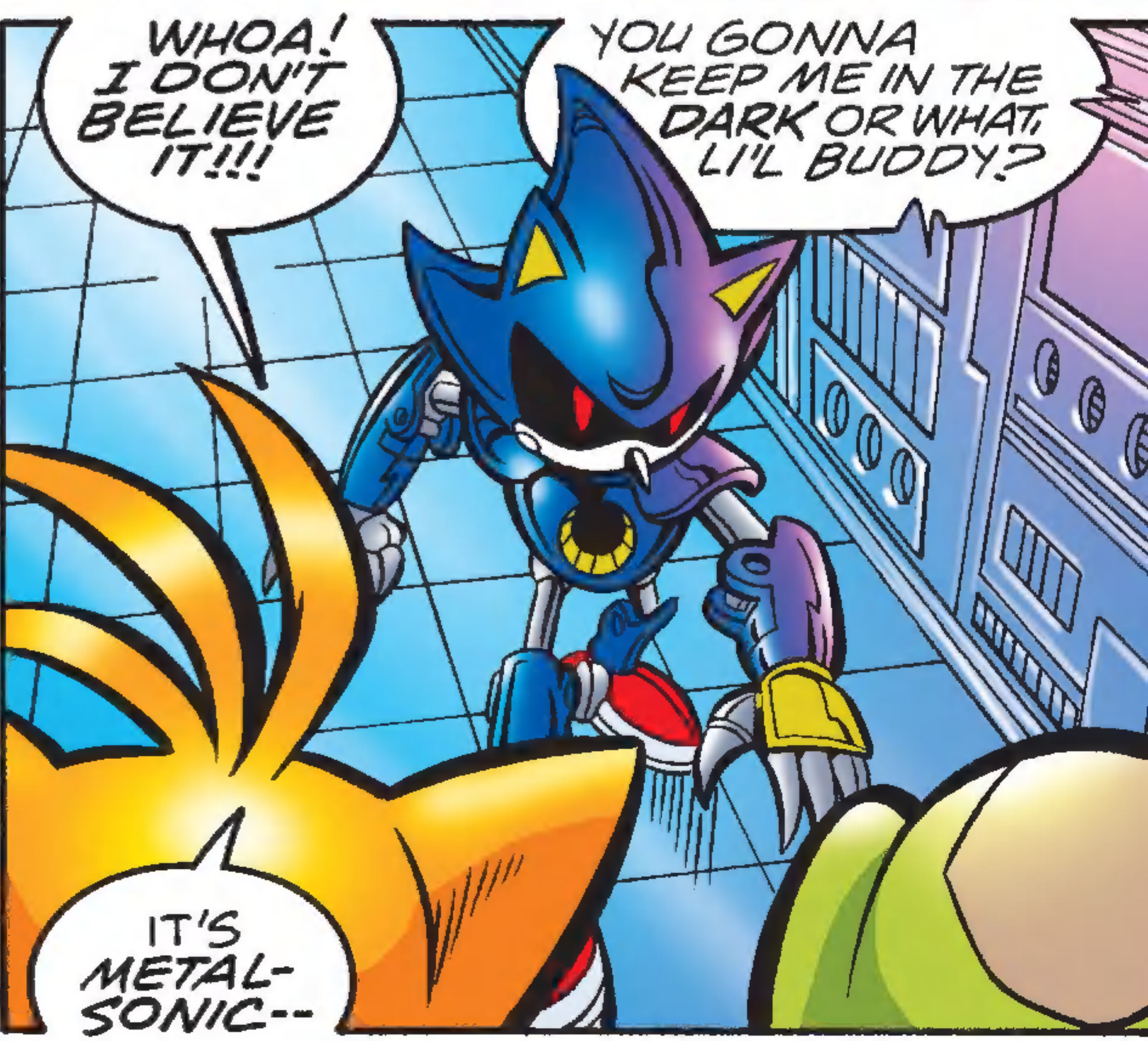


HE--OR RATHER
IT--IS WITH
SHADOW!

THEY'RE ABOUT
THREE SECTIONS
AWAY FROM YOU...

...ACCORDING
TO THIS
ONSCREEN MAP!

HOLD
IT!



WHOA!
I DON'T
BELIEVE
IT!!!

YOU GONNA
KEEP ME IN THE
DARK OR WHAT,
LI'L BUDDY?

IT'S
METAL-
SONIC--

--AND HE'S IN
DIRECT LINE
OF- SIGHT
OF SHADOW
AND HIS
PAL!

MY SENSORS REGISTER
YOU AS ONE *BIO-
CYBERNETIC SENTIENT*
AND ONE APPROXIMATE
E-100 AUTOMATON!

IDENTIFY YOUR-
SELVES OR BE
SUBJECT TO
DEACTIVATION!

A
MECHANICAL
VERSION OF
SONIC?

COULD
MY CREATOR
HAVE BUILT
HIM AS
WELL?

MY CREATOR DESIGNS
AND *BUILDS* ONLY
CYBERNETIC
CONSTRUCTS
SUCH AS MYSELF
AND THE *E-100*
STYLE MODELS!

YOUR *LIFESIGNS*
REGISTER MUCH
LIKE THE *BIO-TRASH*
NATIVE TO THIS WORLD,
AS WELL AS HAVING
BINARY PULSES
SIMILAR TO
MINE.

YOU DO NOT
COMPUTE!

FOR A
MECHANOID, YOU
REGISTER A DISTINCTLY
HOSTILE TONE!

AND
YOU
SHOULD HOLD
YOUR TONGUE WHEN
SPEAKING TO YOUR
SUPERIOR
!!!

SUPERIOR
?



--I'M NOT THE ONE NOW HAVING TROUBLE STAYING ON MY FEET!

BAAAAA!

THEY'RE GOING AT IT LIKE CRAZED PUMAS!

AND DESTROYING EVERYTHING IN SIGHT WHILE DOING SO!

IF THEY KEEP THIS UP, IT COULD GET UGLY!

WE STILL HAVEN'T GOTTEN--

--A HANDLE ON THE SITUATION *HERE*, AND THOSE FIGHTING FOOLS ARE ONLY MAKING MATTERS WORSE!

DID SOMEONE SAY "FIGHT"?

DON'T GET SILLY, SONIC!

ANY ONE WOULD BE A CHALLENGE, BUT ALL THREE!

SHE'S RIGHT, SONIC!

THREE-TO-ONE ODDS IN THIS CASE SPELL BAD NEWS!

NEVER TELL ME THE ODDS!

SONIC!!!

...SIGH...

THAT BOY IS
GONNA BE
THE DEATH
OF US YET!

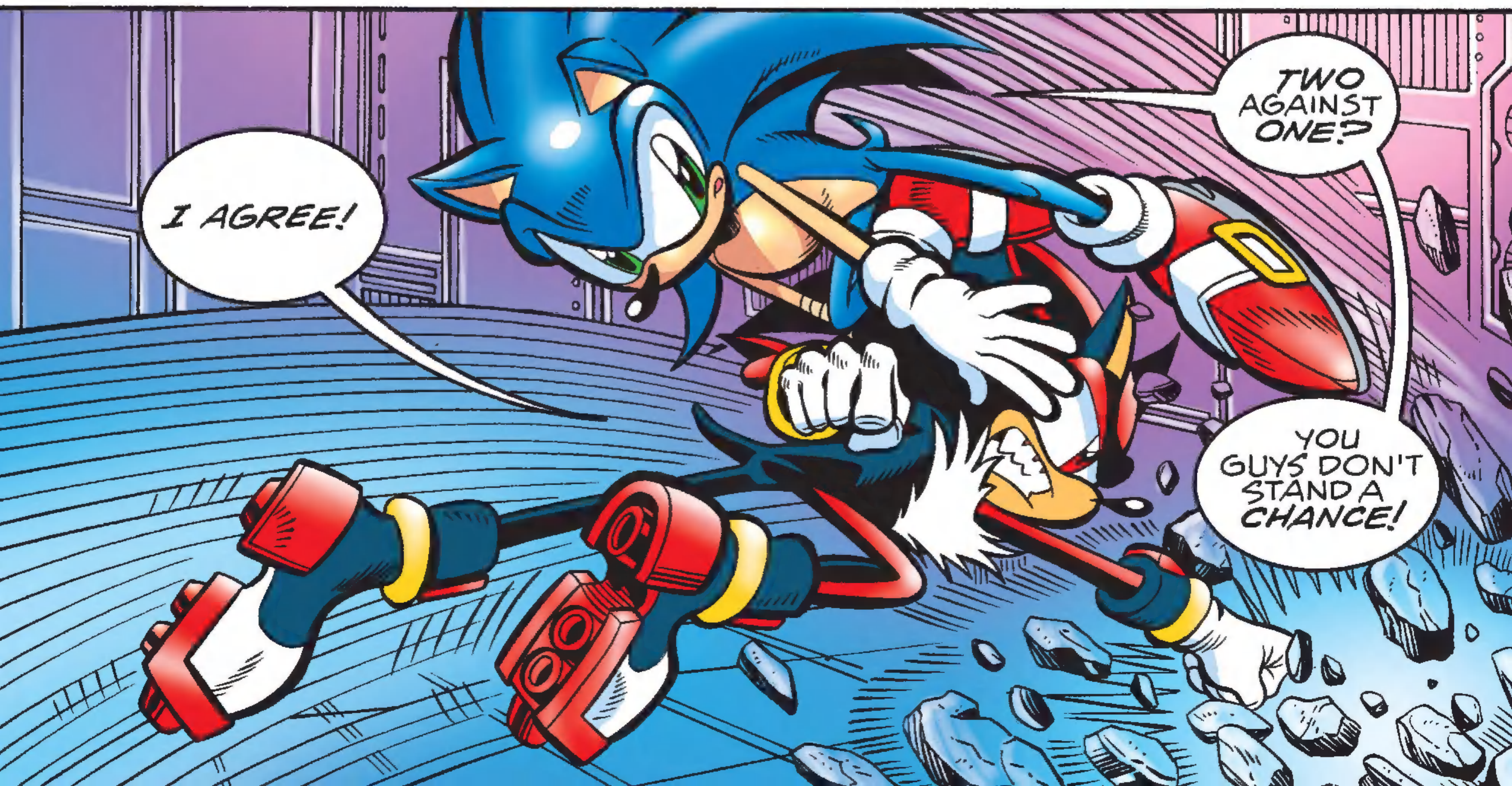
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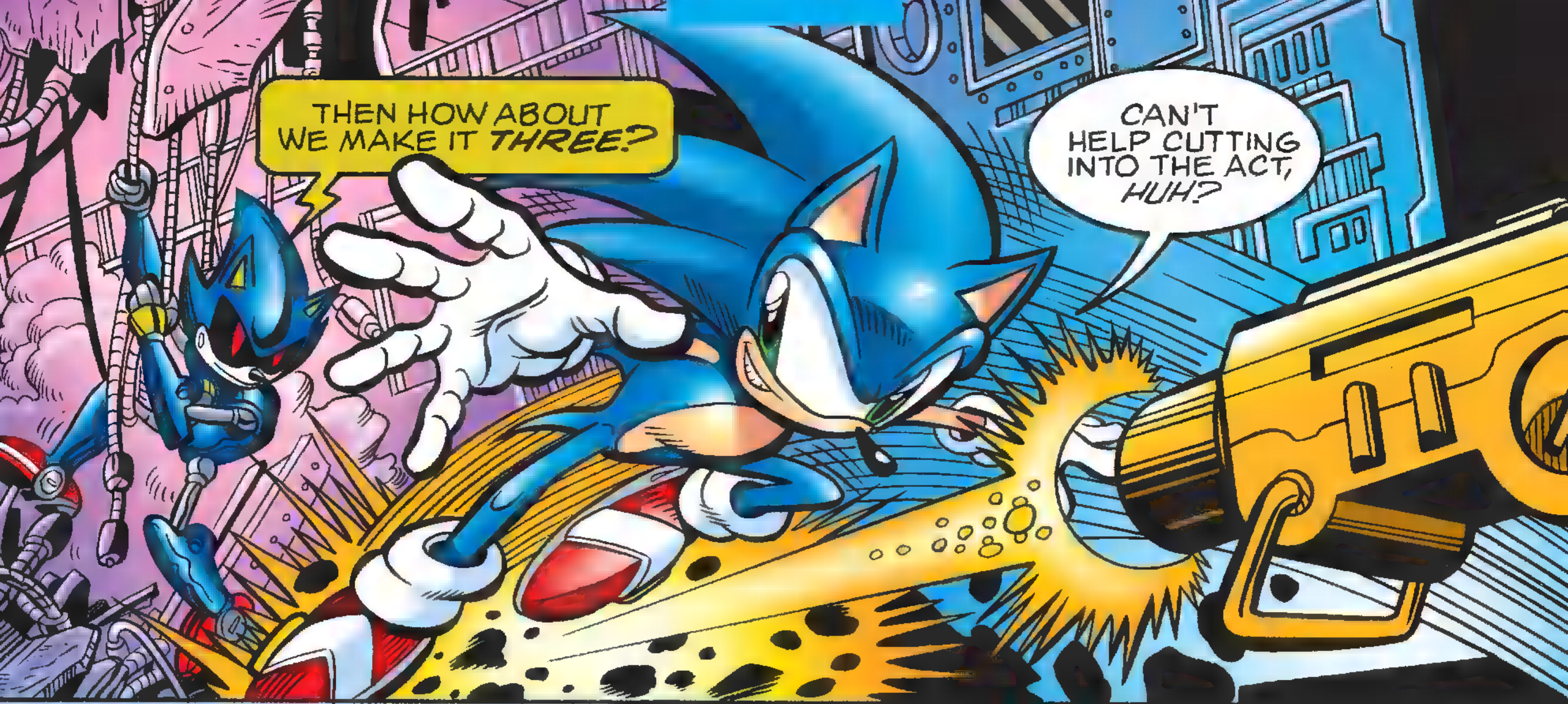
FHOOM!

KATHHRAANG!

THAT
ROCKS,
GUYS!

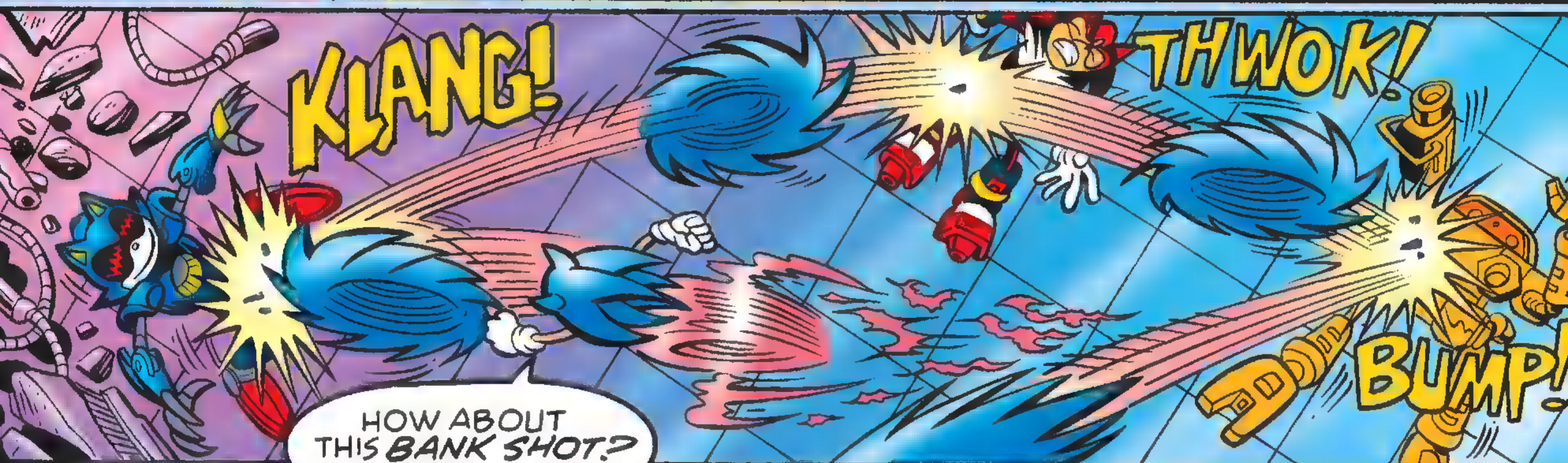
WHAT DO
YOU DO
FOR THE
ENCORE?





THEN HOW ABOUT WE MAKE IT *THREE?*

CAN'T HELP CUTTING INTO THE ACT, HUH?



KLANK!

THWOK!

BUMP!

HOW ABOUT THIS *BANK SHOT?*



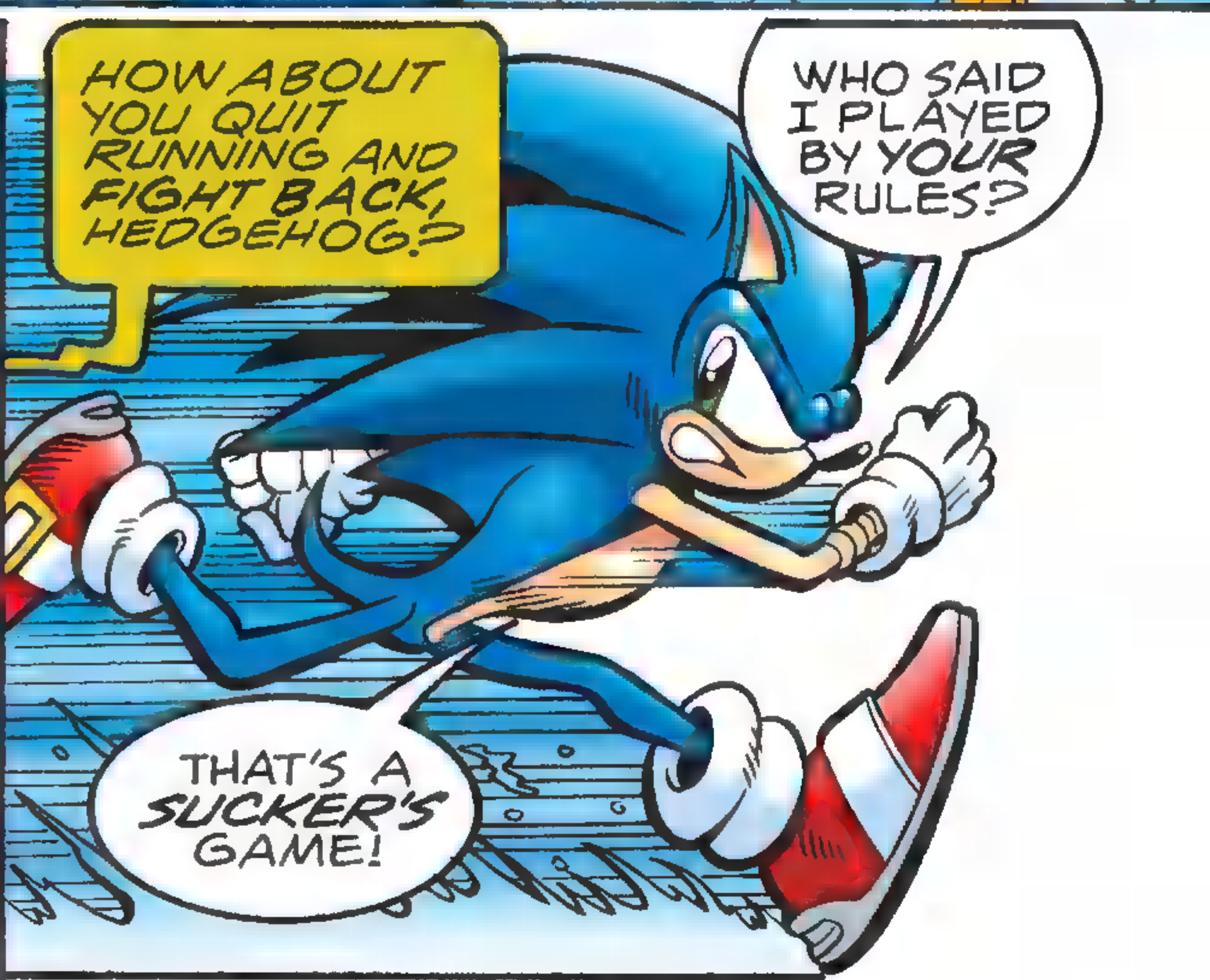
SAY! THAT WAS FUNNY!

I WAS *RIGHT* ABOUT YOU MUGS--

NO SENSE OF HUMOR!

WHO AM I KIDDING?

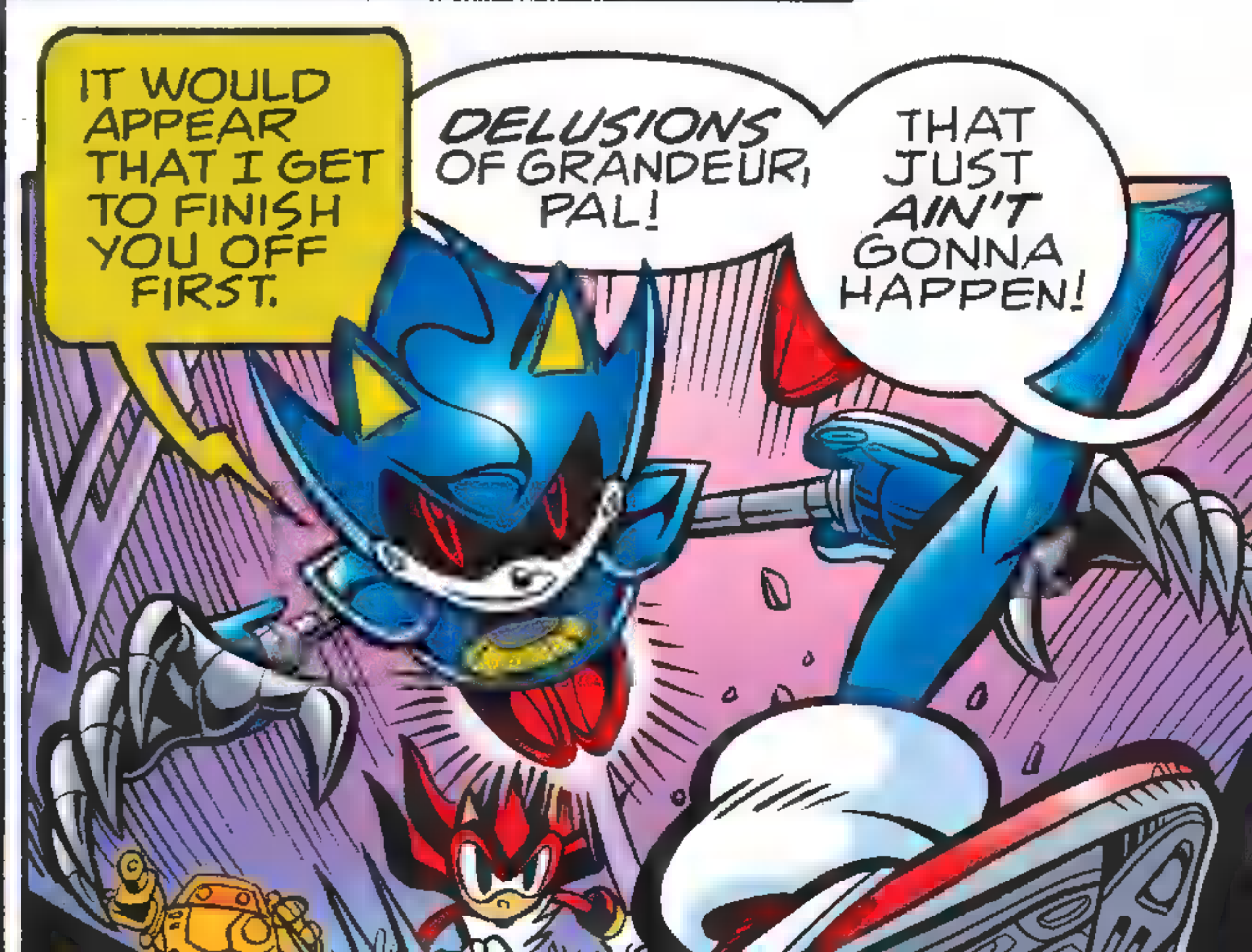
I'M *REALLY* IN THE *SOLID* NOW!



HOW ABOUT YOU QUIT RUNNING AND FIGHT BACK, HEDGEHOG?

WHO SAID I PLAYED BY YOUR RULES?

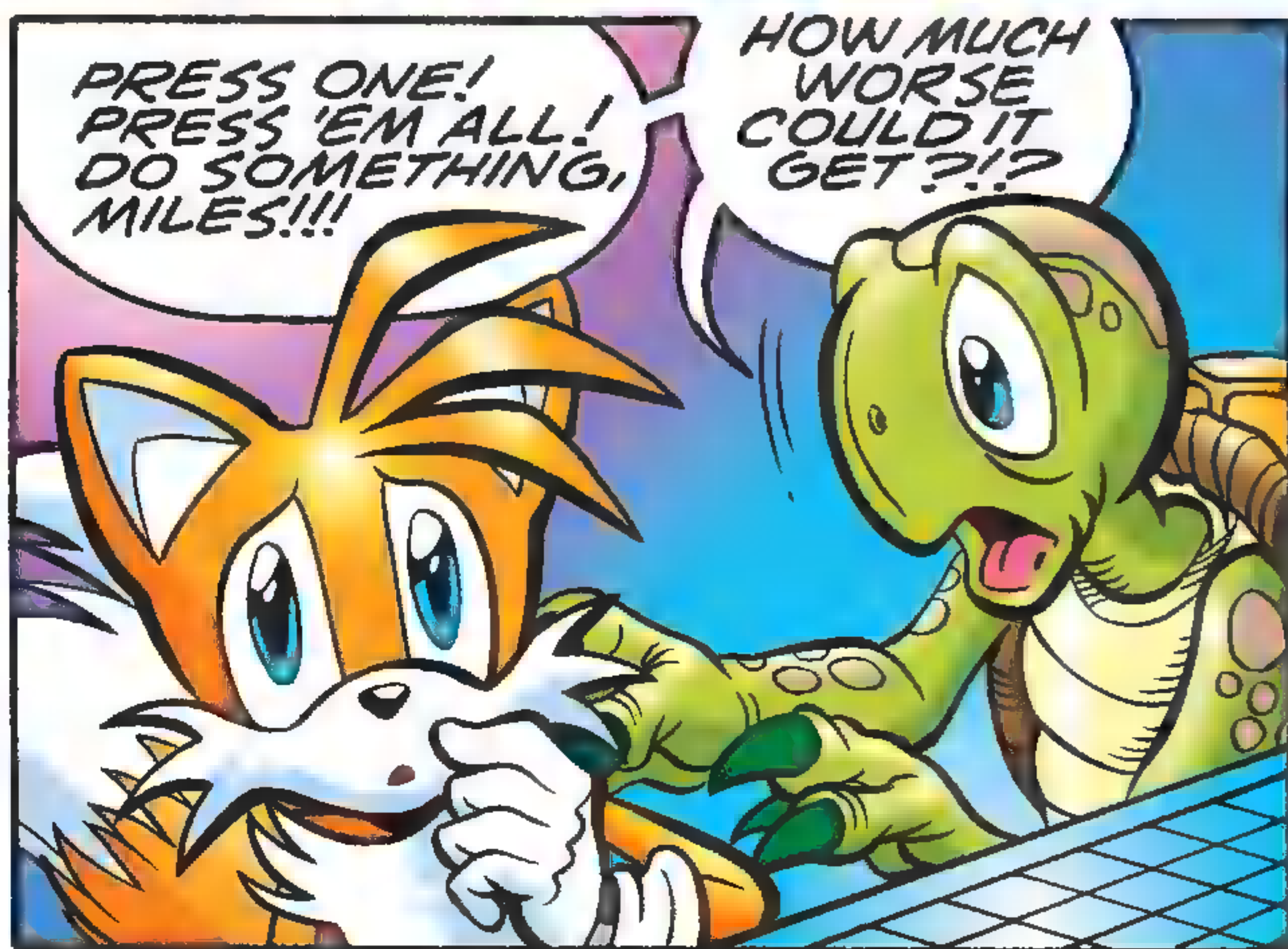
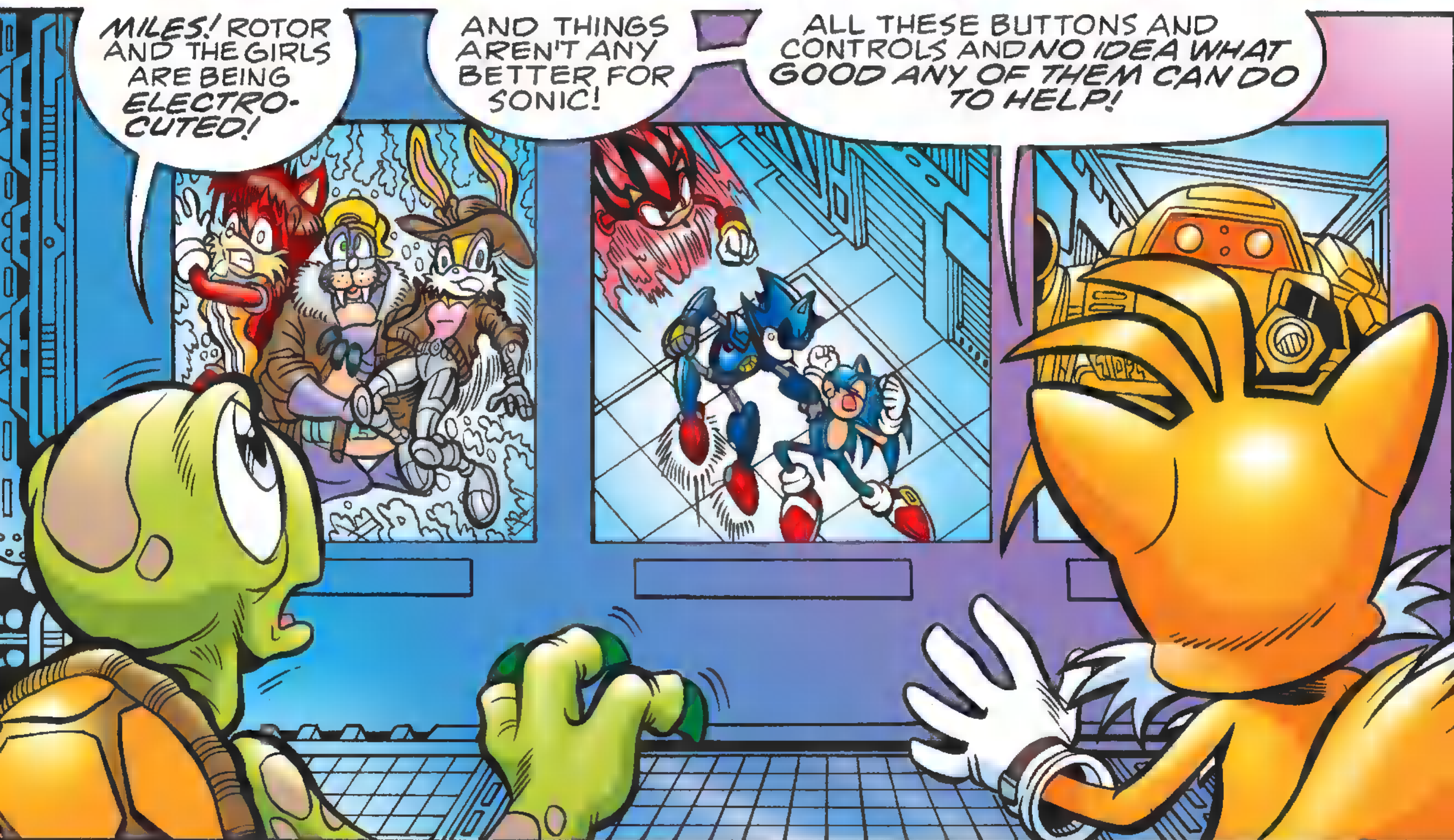
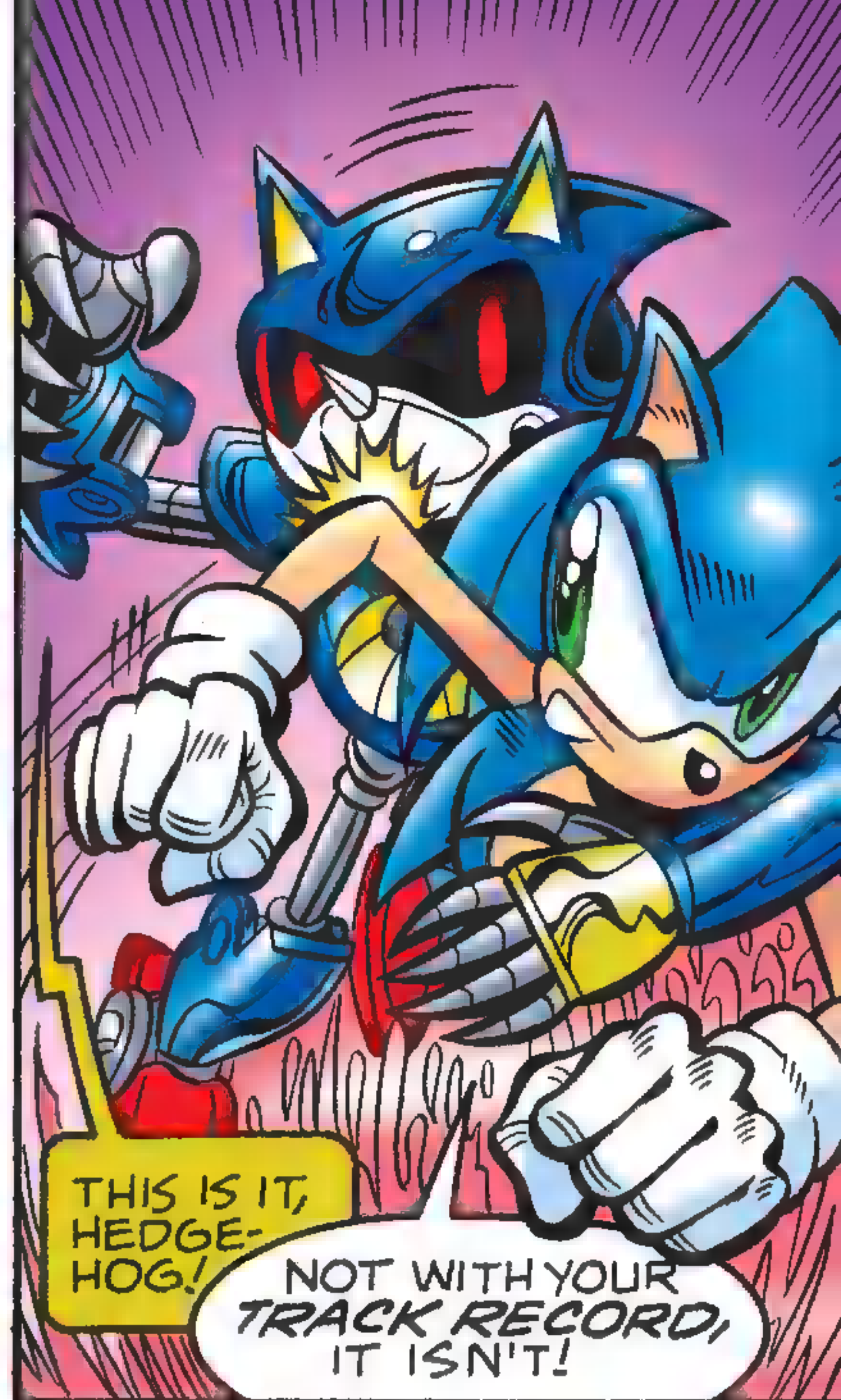
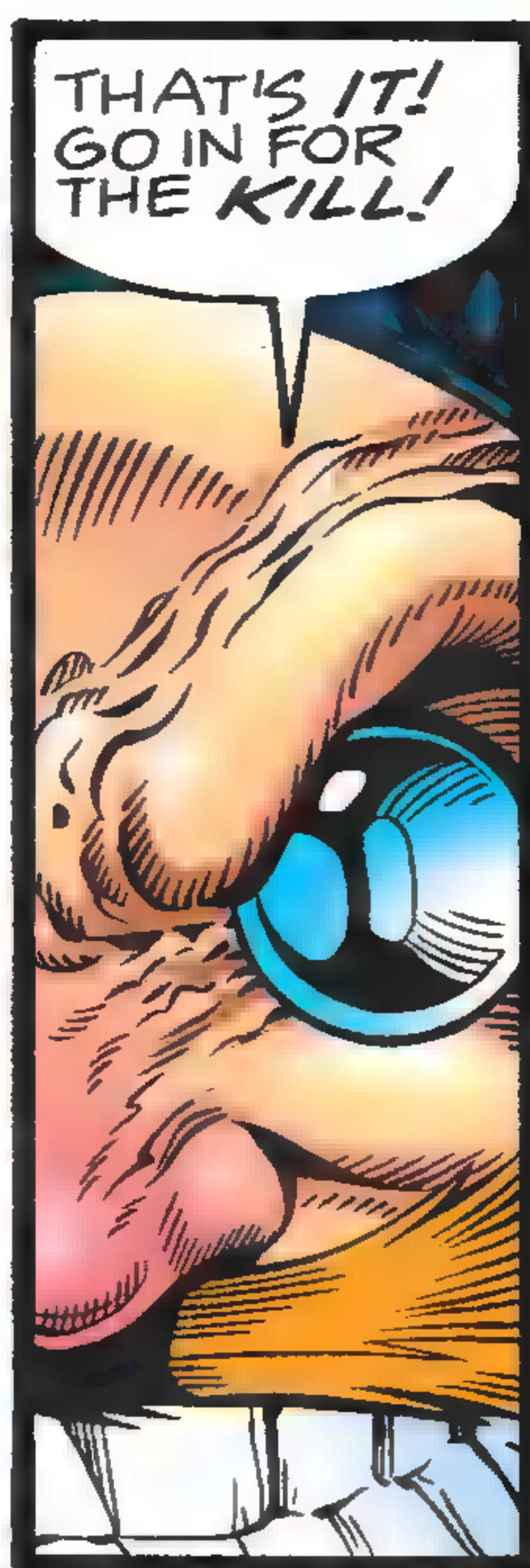
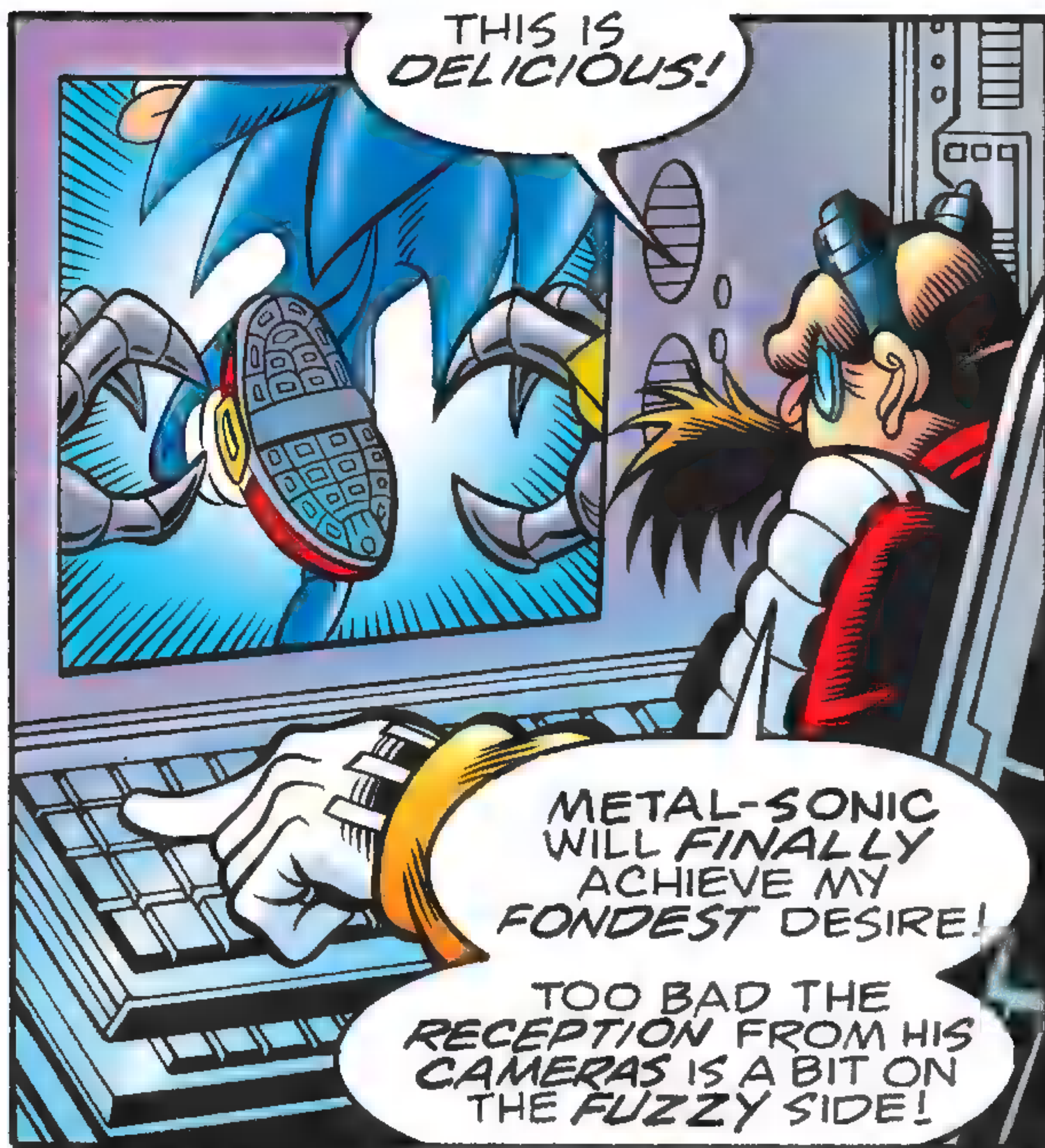
THAT'S A *SUCKER'S* GAME!



IT WOULD APPEAR THAT I GET TO FINISH YOU OFF FIRST.

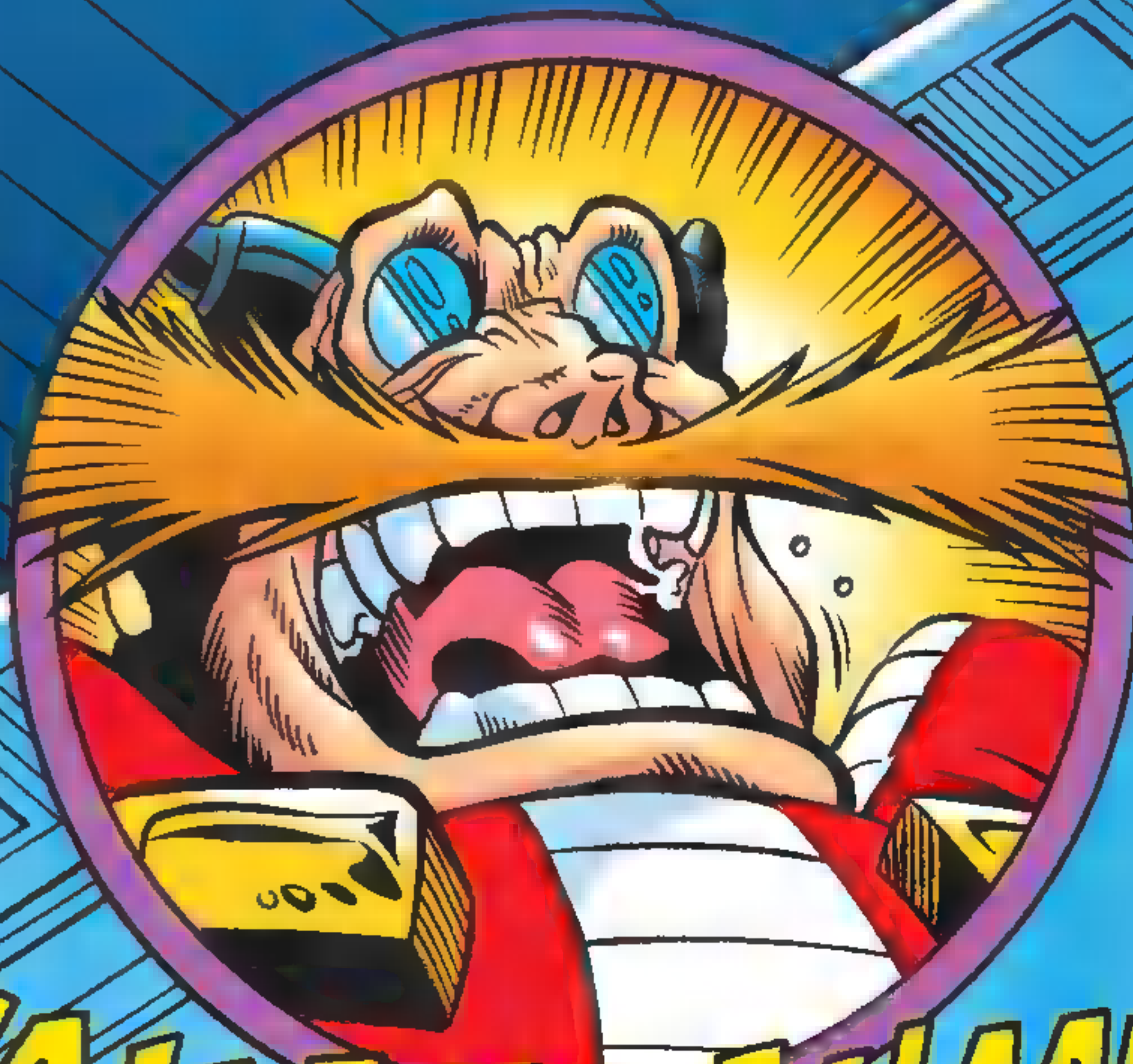
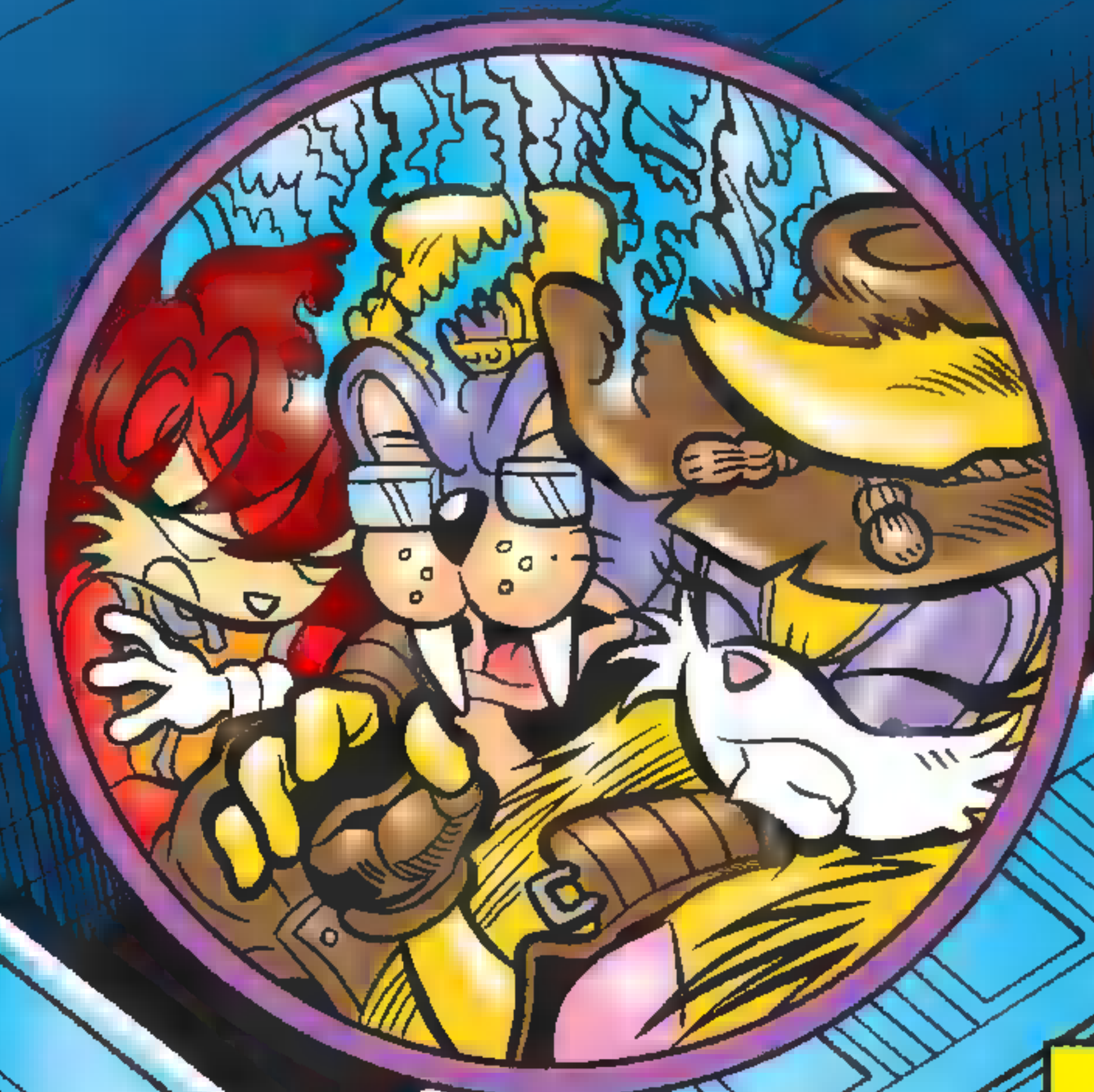
DELUSIONS OF GRANDEUR, PAL!

THAT JUST *AIN'T* GONNA HAPPEN!



VRA-RHUUUUUUM!!!

SIZZLING
SWATBOYS!!!
WHAT HAVE
I DONE?!!!



BWAHAHAHAHA

YOU HAVEN'T SEEN ANYTHING YET, DEAR READER! BRACE YOURSELF
FOR THE MOST ASTOUNDING REVELATION YET IN NEXT ISSUE'S...
GENESIS!

SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG

THIS SIDE OF PARODIES

OFF-PANEL

I'M VERY BUSY, AND I'VE GOT NO TIME FOR YOUR TEMPER TANTRUMS! JUST DO WHAT YOU'RE TOLD, SONIC!

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Coloring

HARUMPH!!!

OY! WHAT EVER POSSESSED MIKE TO LET MANAK AND GALLAGHER MAKE A CAMEO APPEARANCE IN THIS STORY?

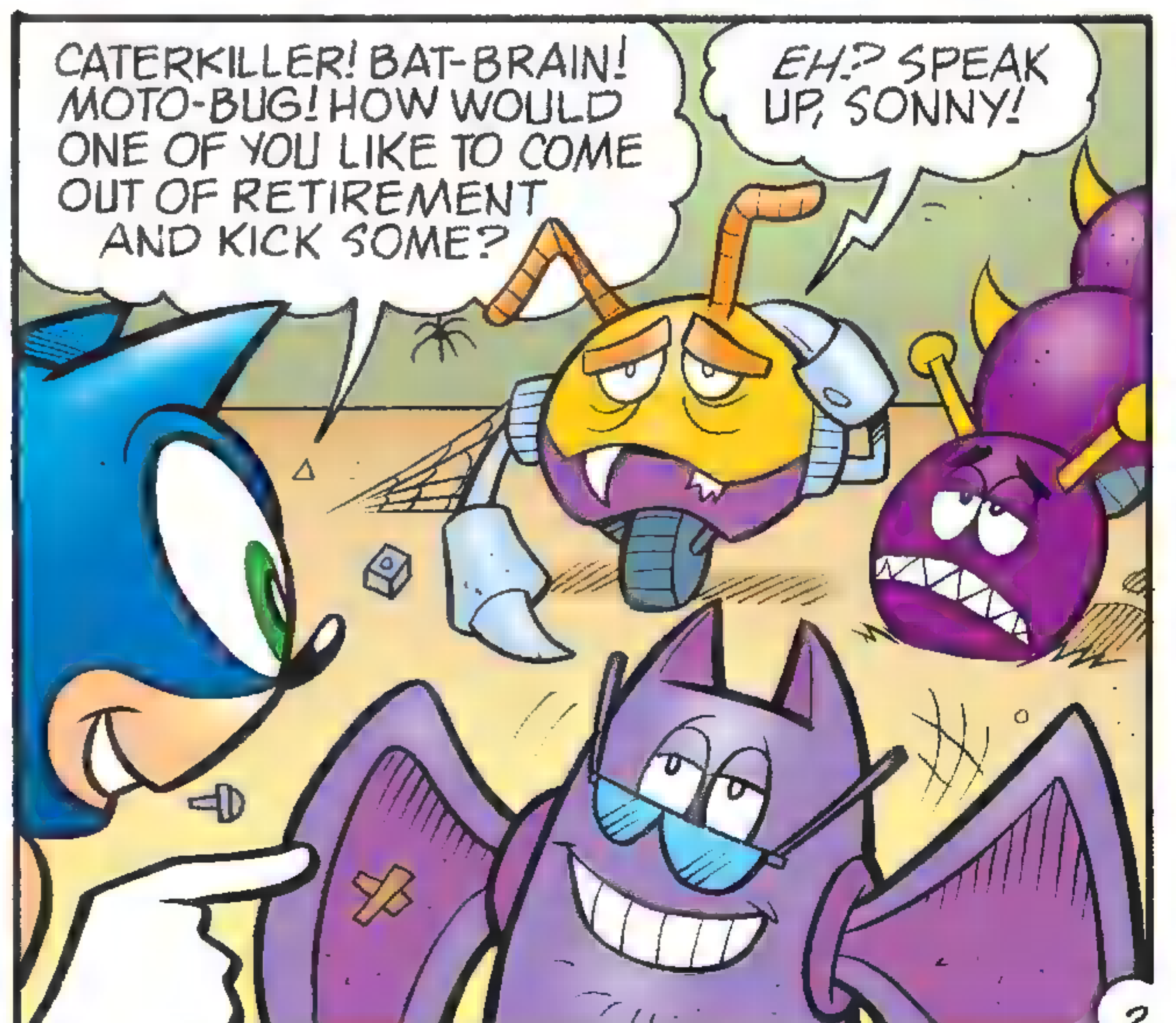
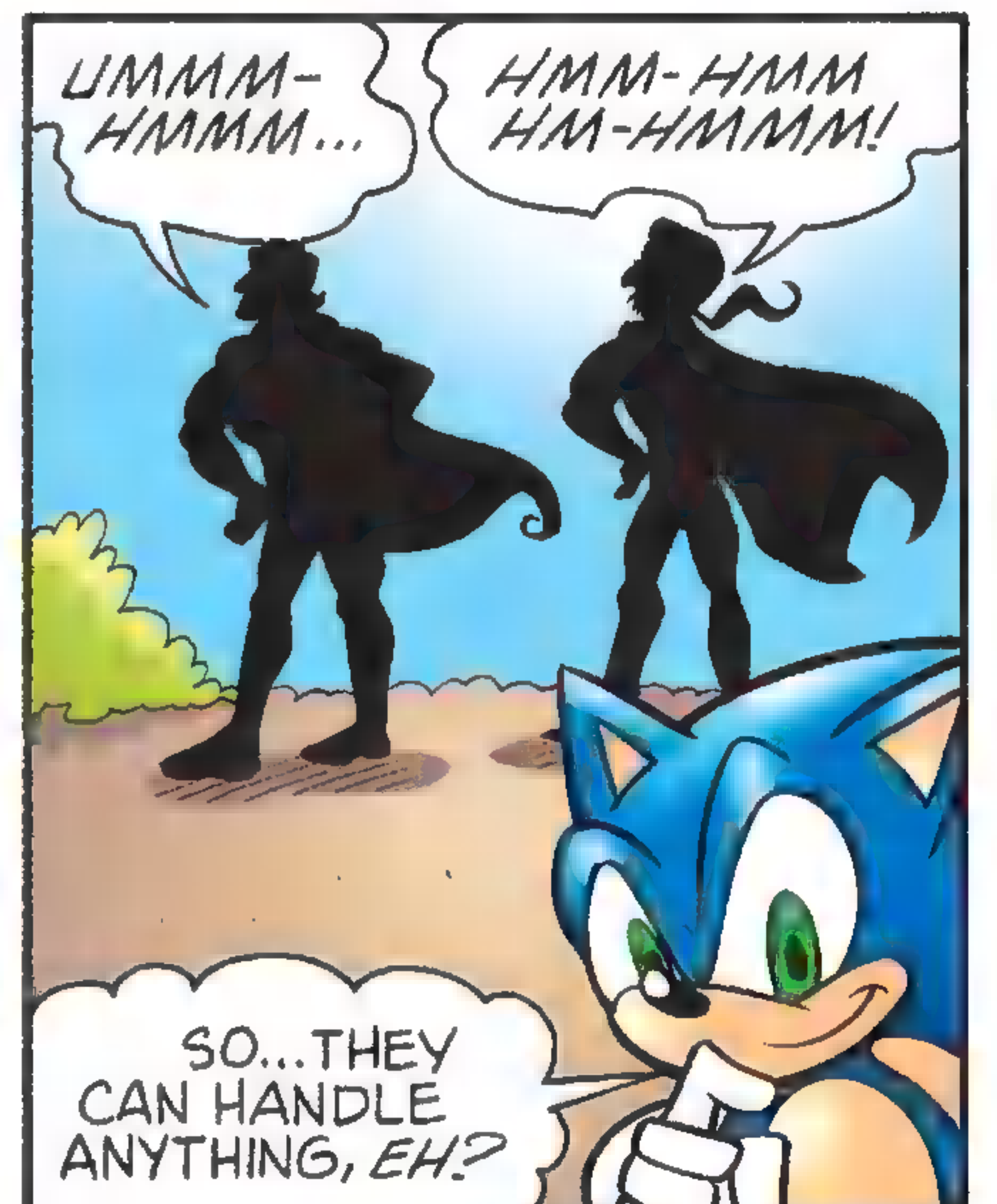
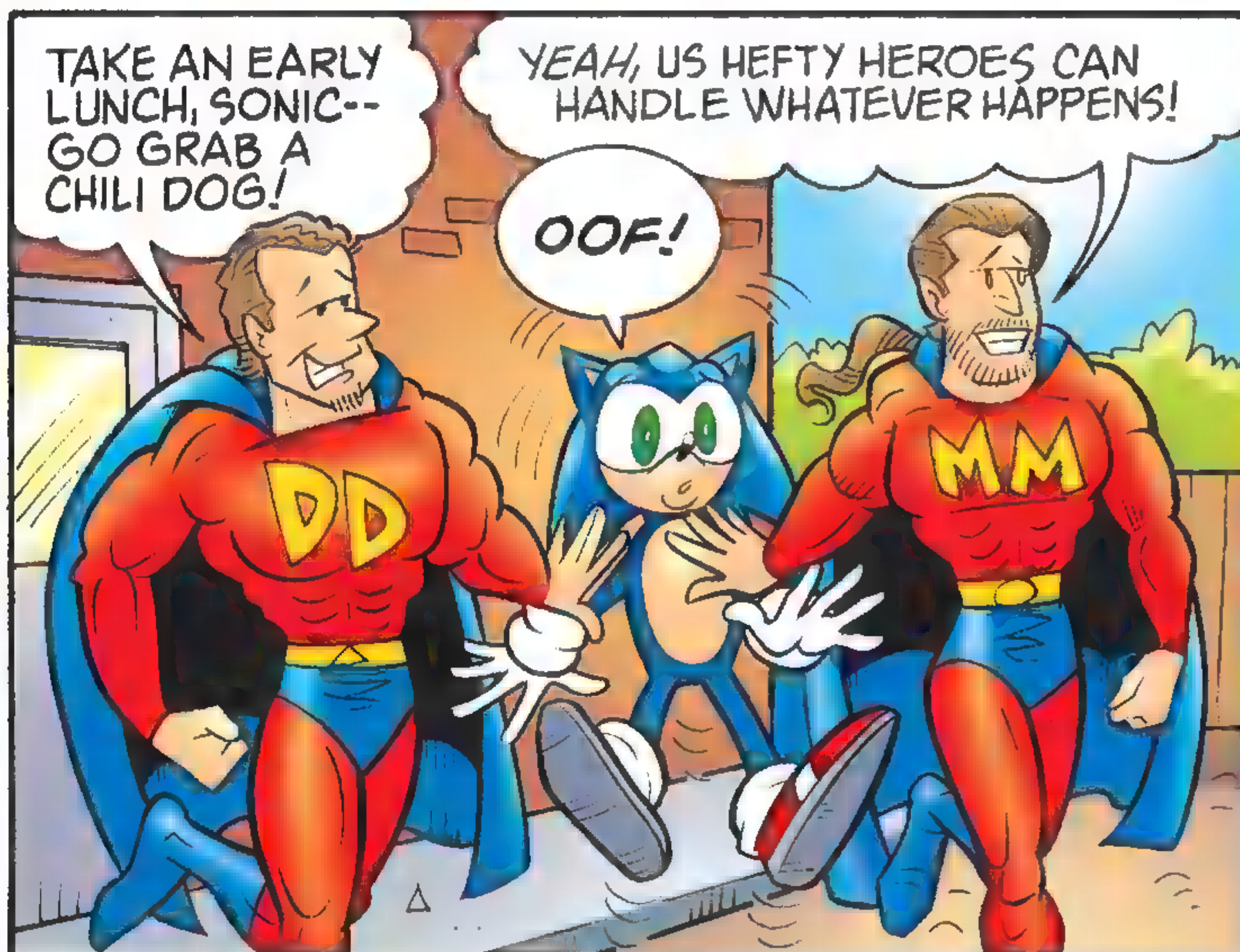
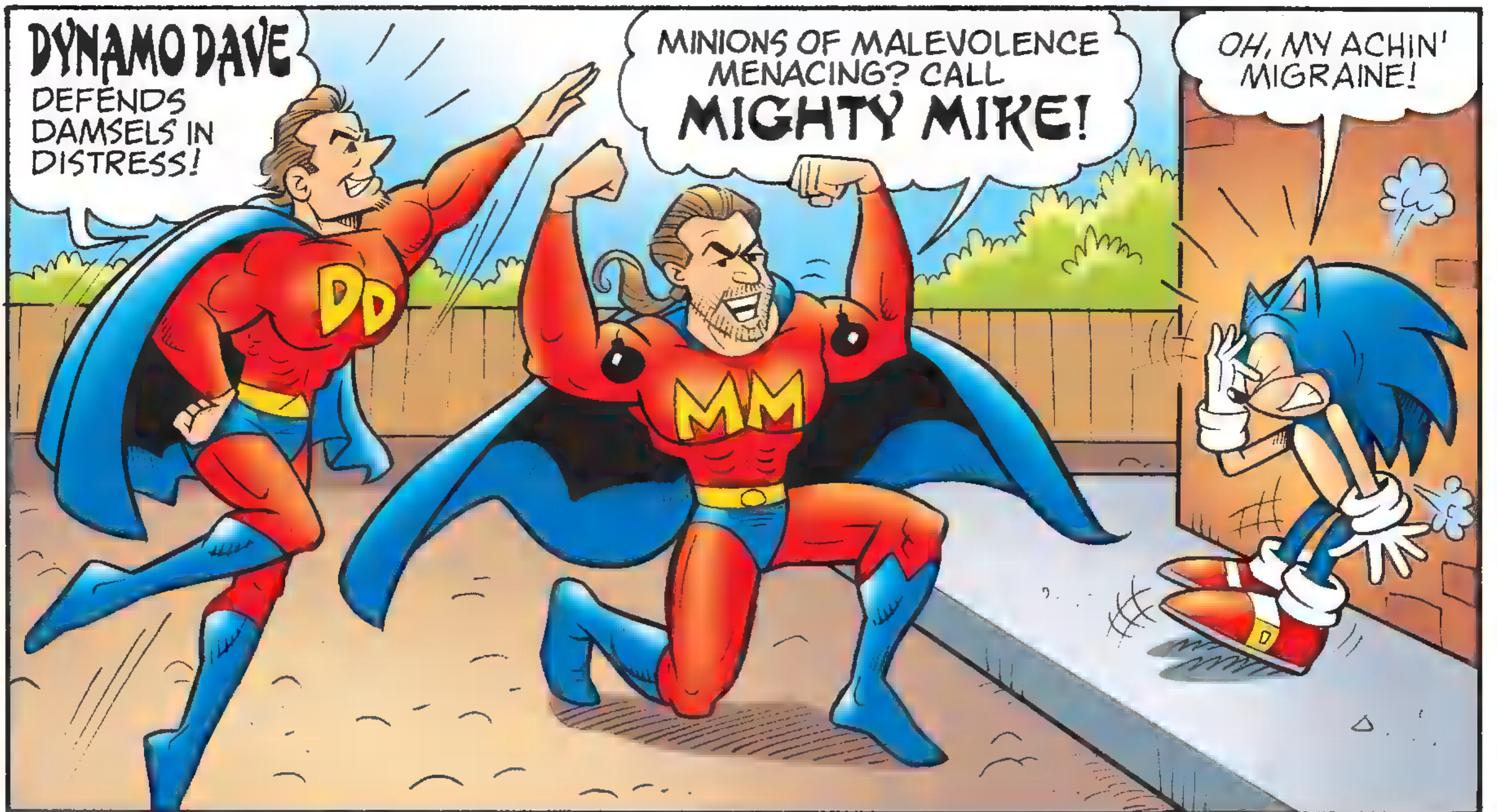
LOOK, GALLAGHER! THERE'S SONIC!

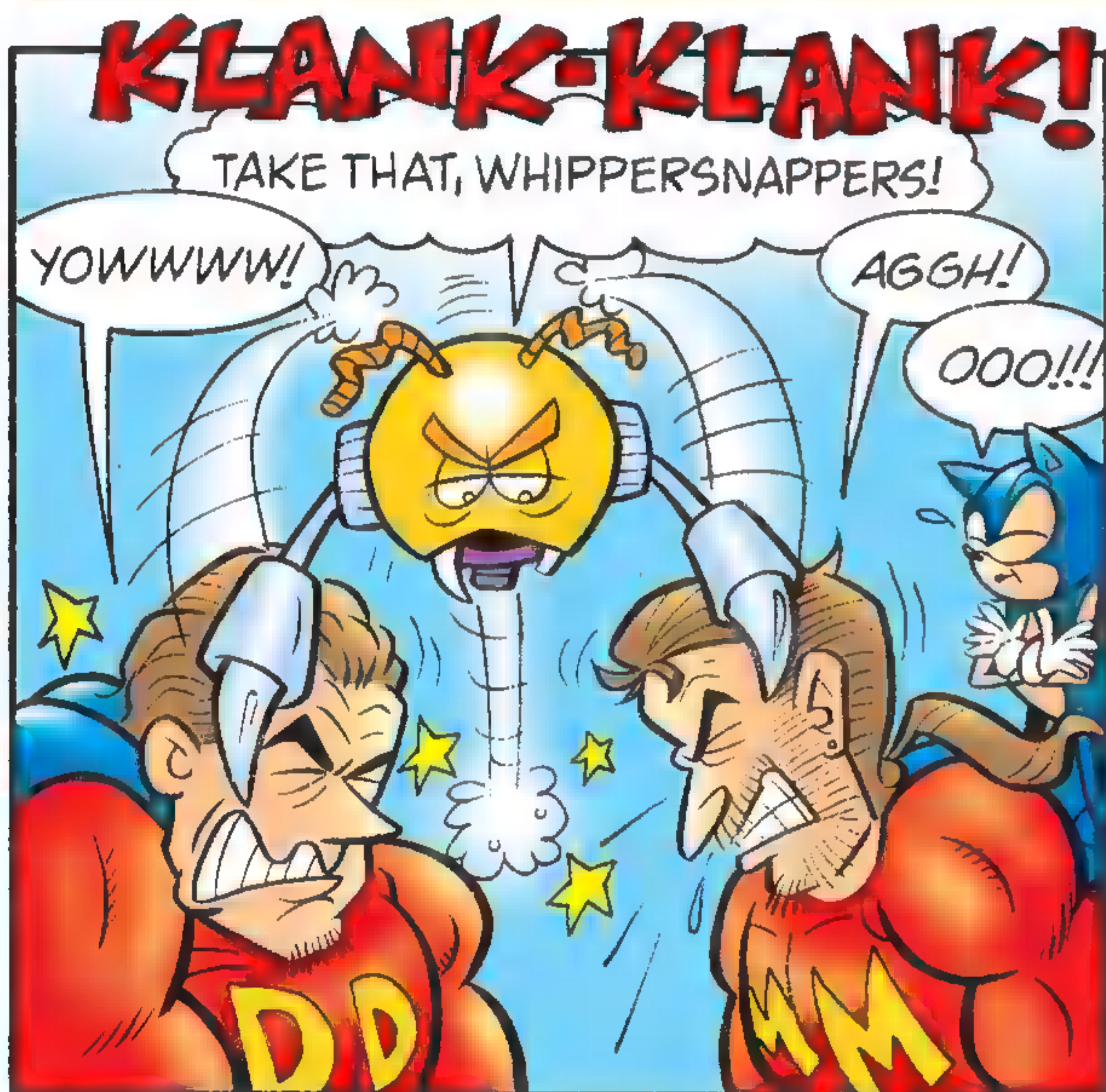
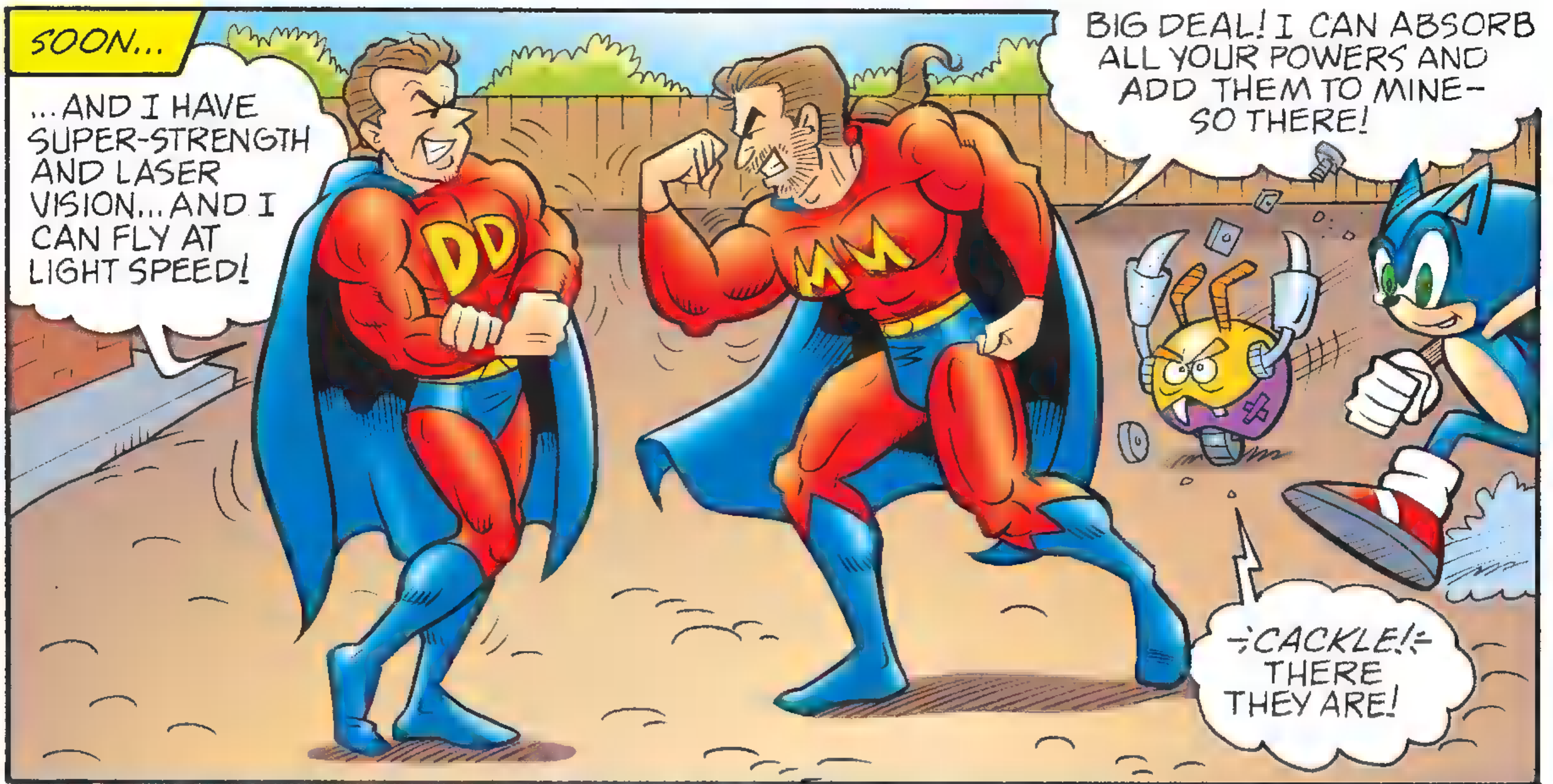
WE REALLY ARE IN "OFF-PANEL"!

COOL! WE'RE SPONTANEOUSLY CREATING OUR REALITY!

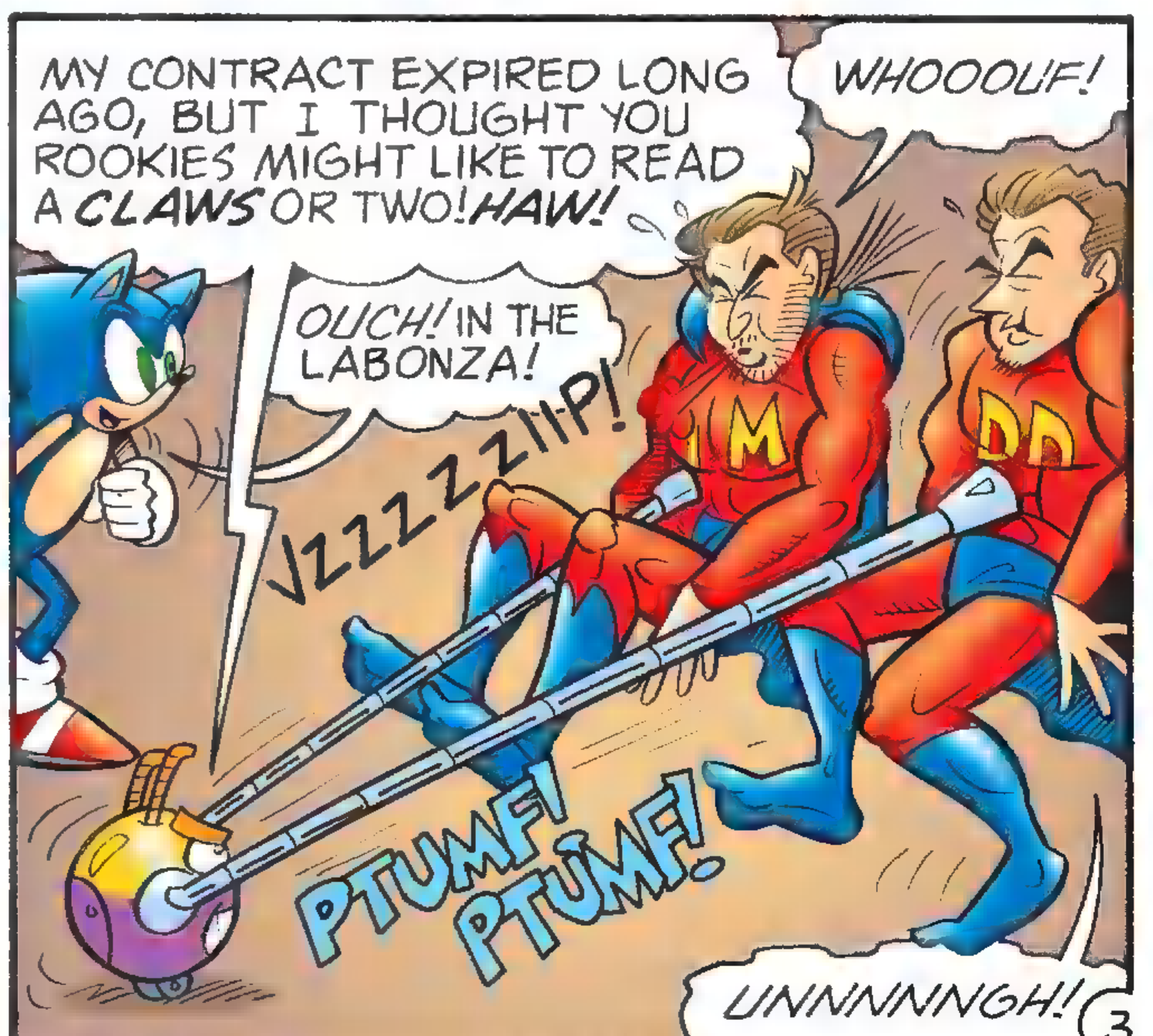
SAY, THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA!

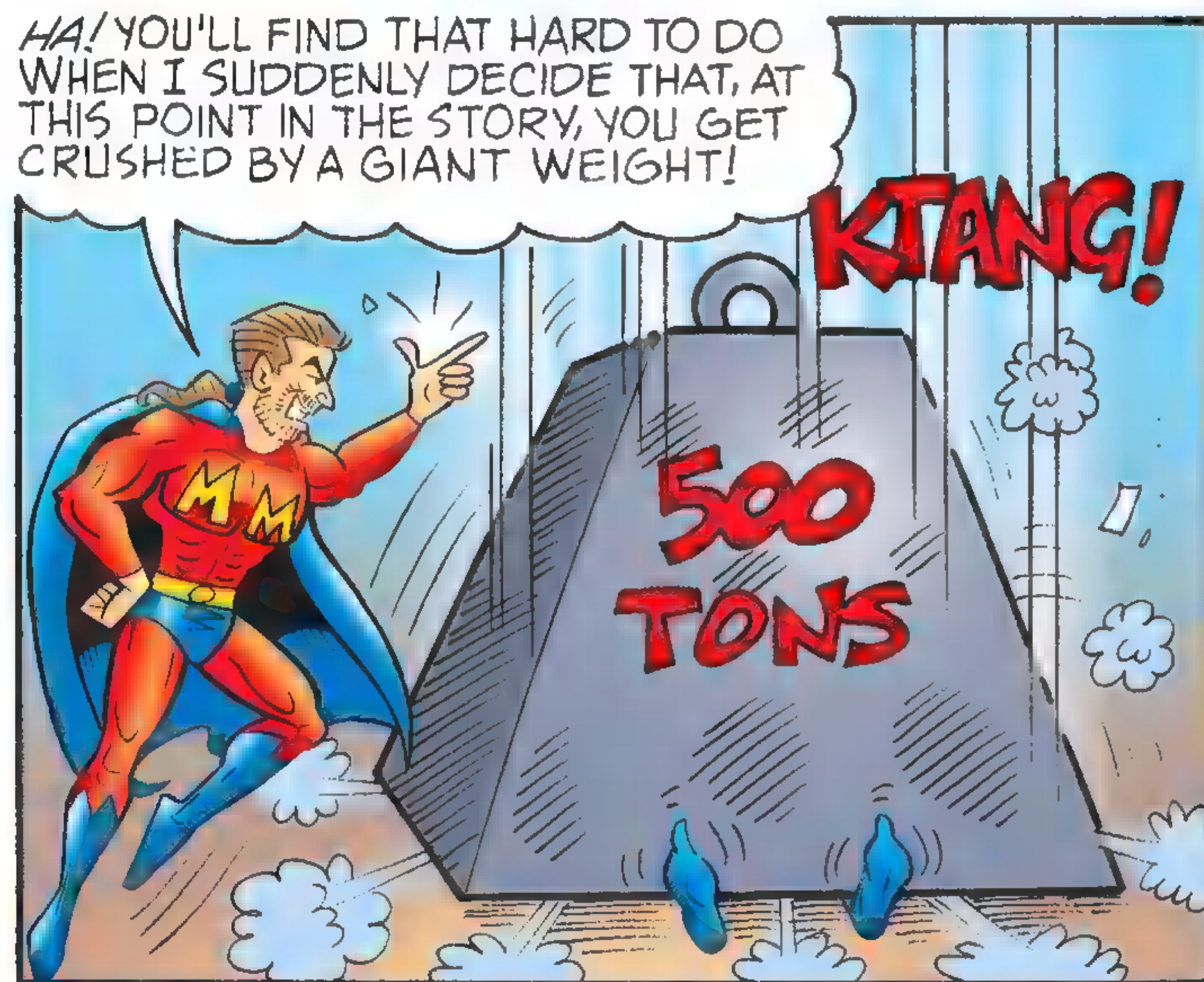
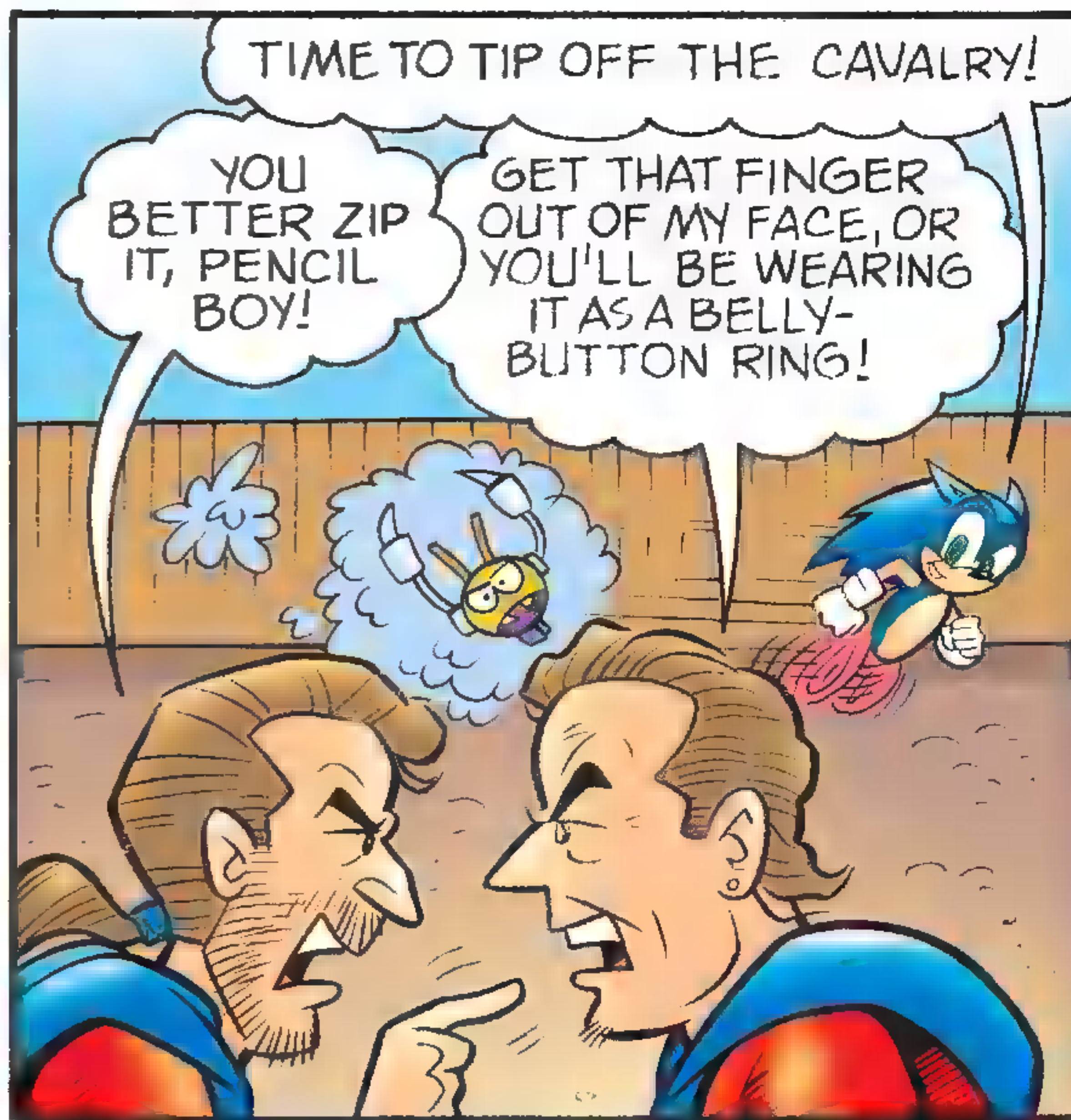
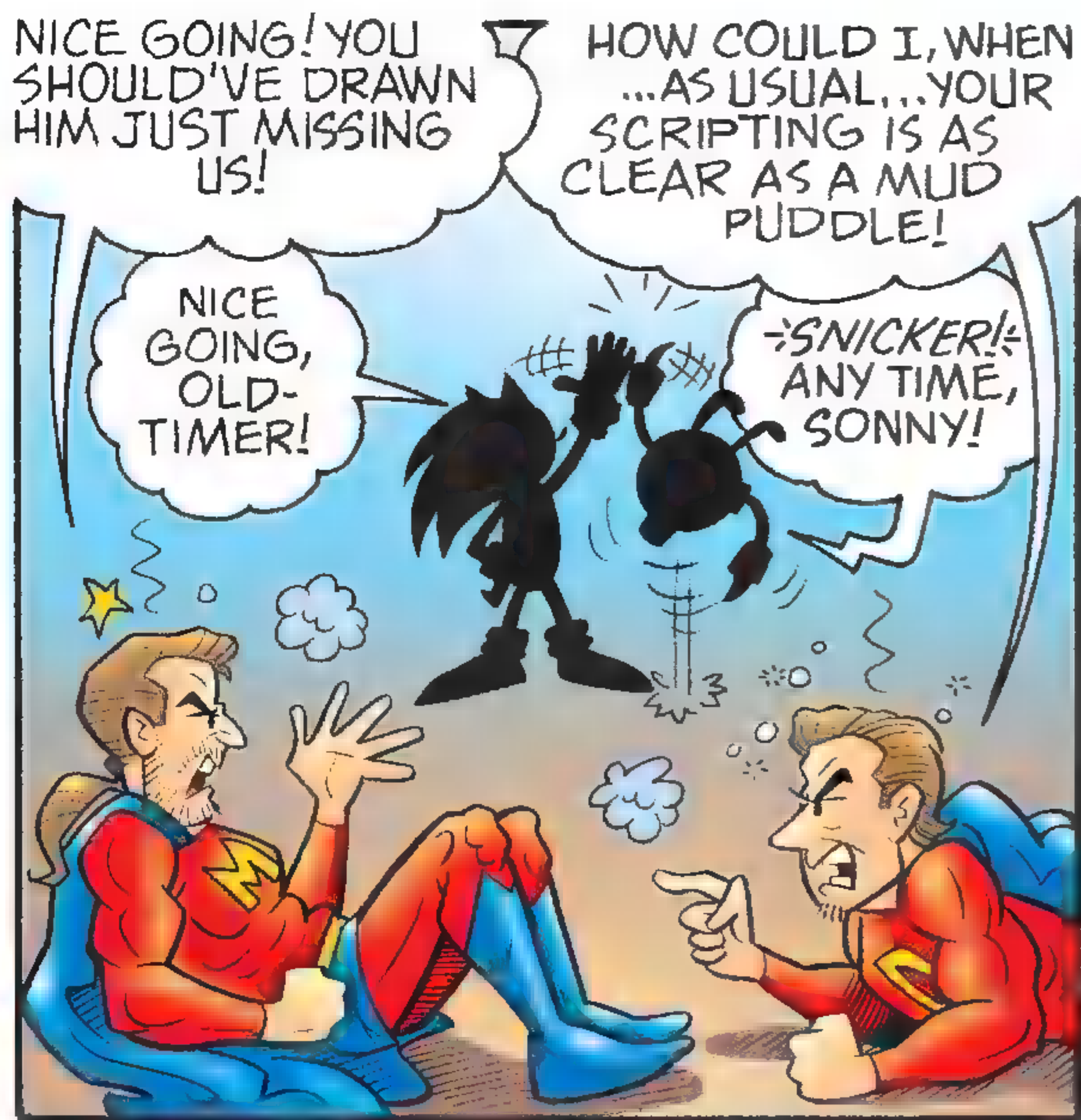
TSK! THEY'RE SO PREDICTABLE...

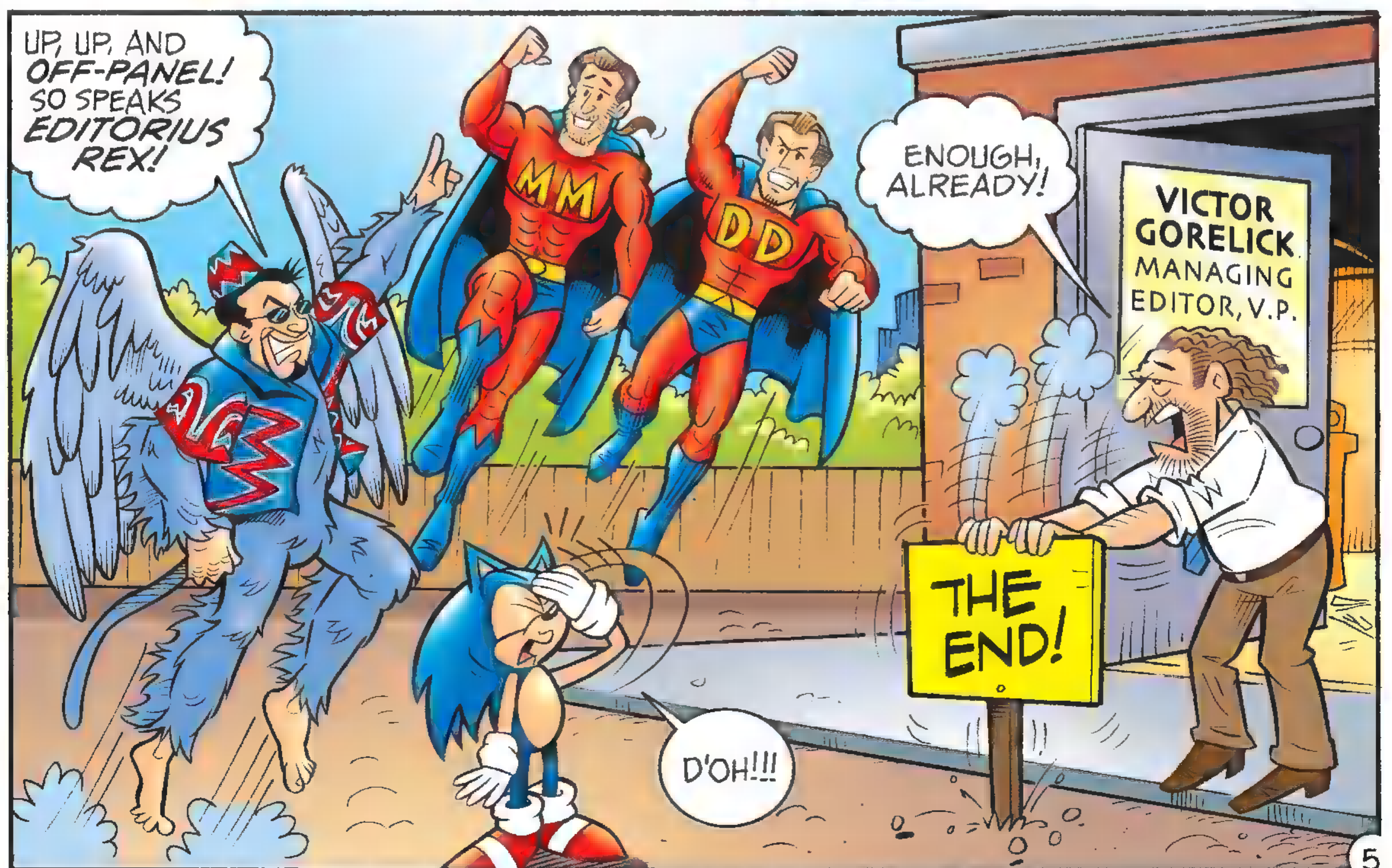




~CHUCKLE!~ SO, THESE TWO AMATEURS THINK BEING A SUPER-HERO IS A PIECE OF CAKE? DID YOU SEE HOW EASILY THAT OLD BADNIK BONKED 'EM? KEEP WATCHIN', FOLKS...







TAILS & MUTTSKI IN FOX AND THE HOUND

OUR STORY OPENS ON A BRIGHT SUNNY DAY AS MUTTSKI LIES IN WAIT, HOPING SONIC WILL PLAY...

RUFF!

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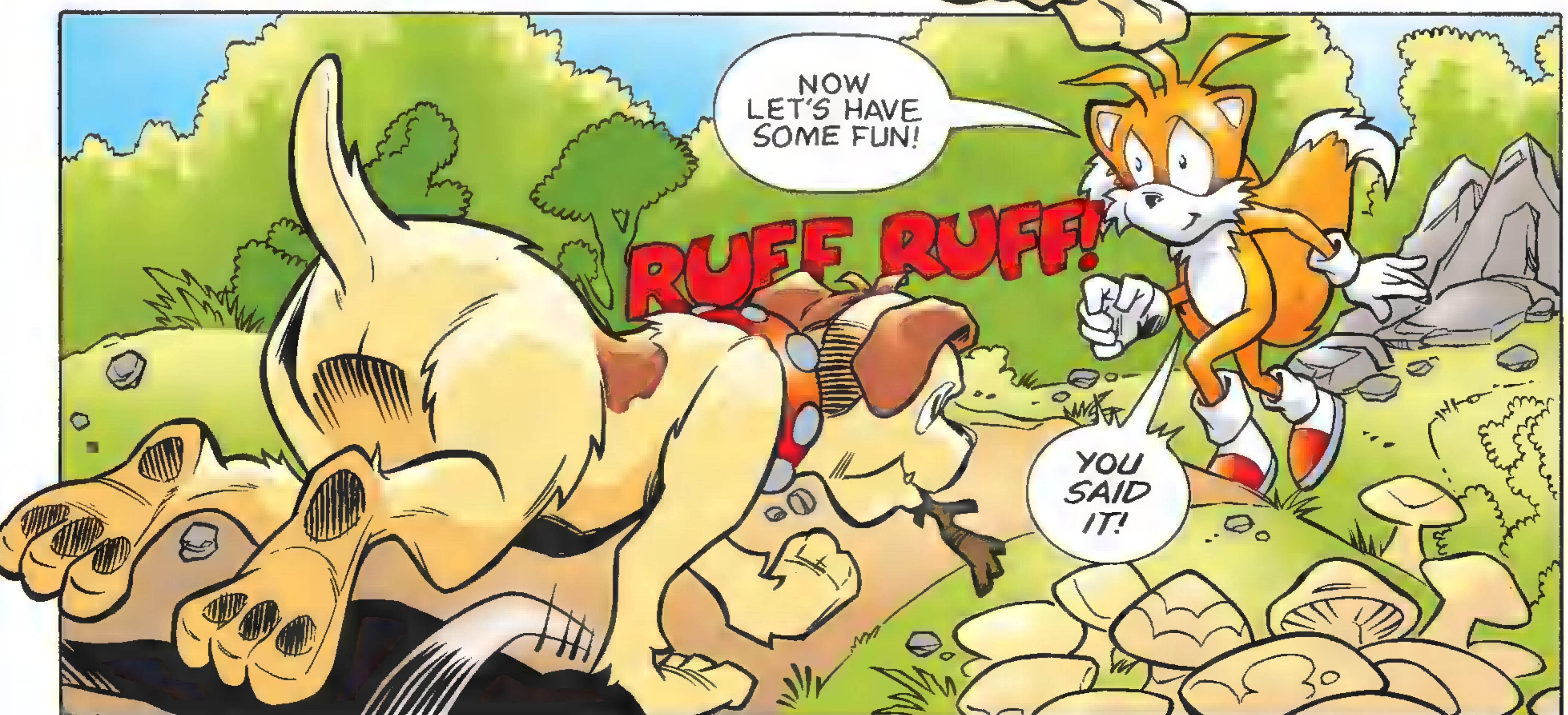
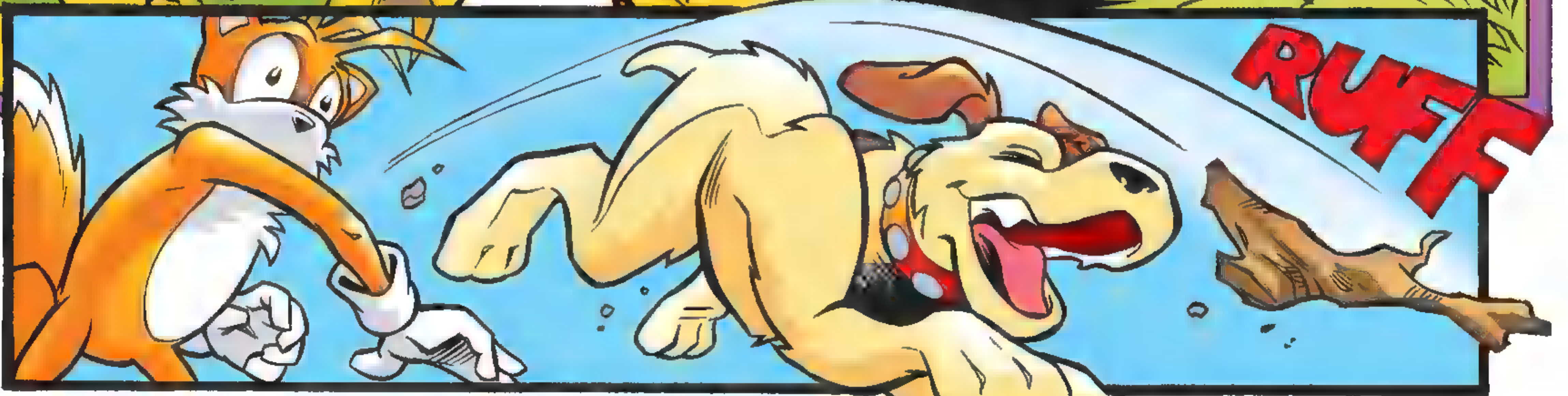
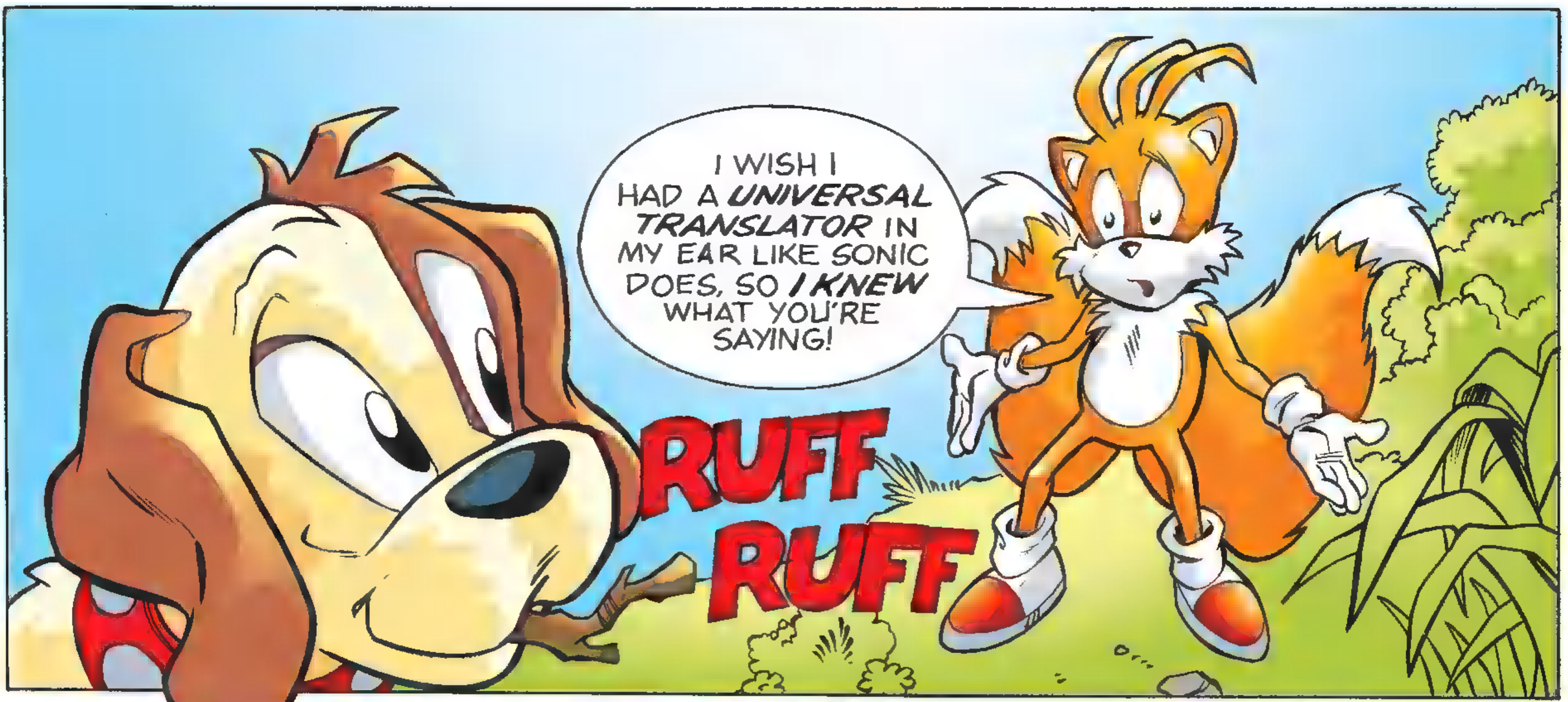
WANNA
PLAY!

I'LL BE BACK
TONIGHT! DON'T WAIT
UP FOR ME, JUST IN
CASE...

AW, YOU
NEVER PLAY
ANYMORE!

THAT
WOULD ROCK
MUTTSKI, BUT
I'VE GOT A
PLANET TO
SAVE!

HEY,
MUTTSKI!
WHAT'S
WRONG?



AND SO A **YOUNG TWO-TAILED FOX** AND A **FAITHFUL HOUND DOG** SPEND THEIR TIME DOING WHAT COMES NATURALLY...

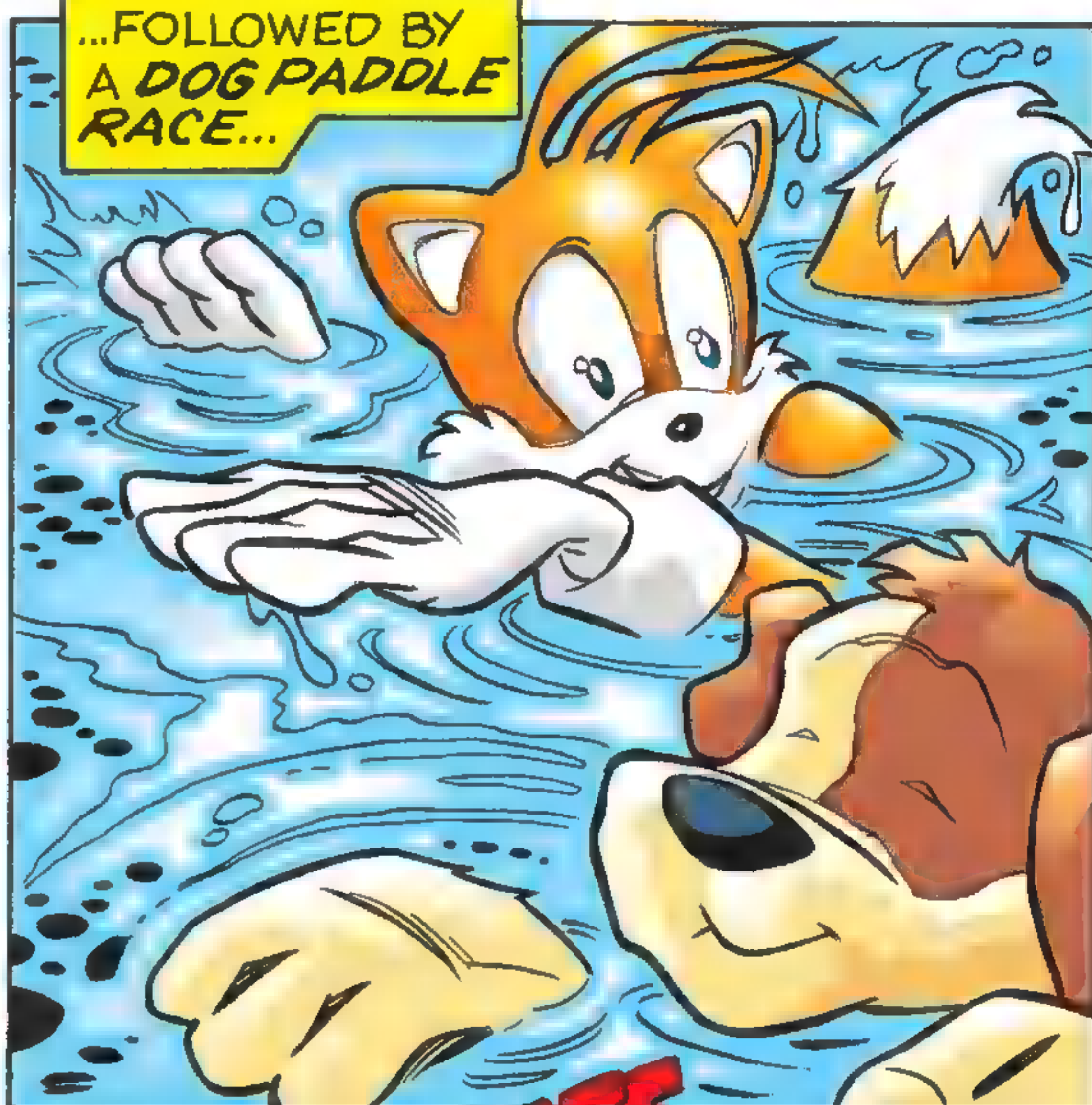


...LIKE
FINISHING
A GAME OF
CATCH...

...PLAYING
HOPSCOTCH...



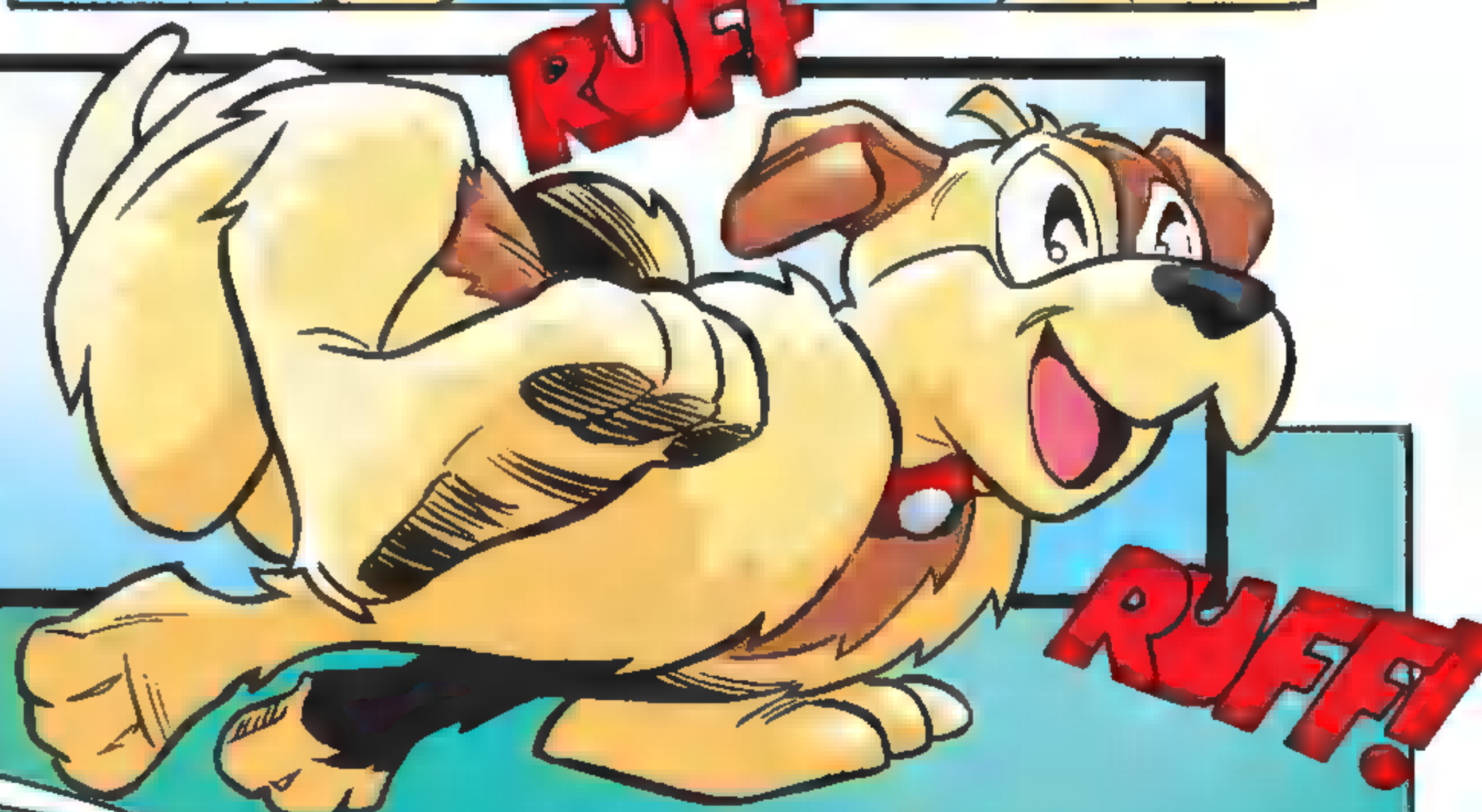
...FOLLOWED BY
A **DOG PADDLE**
RACE...



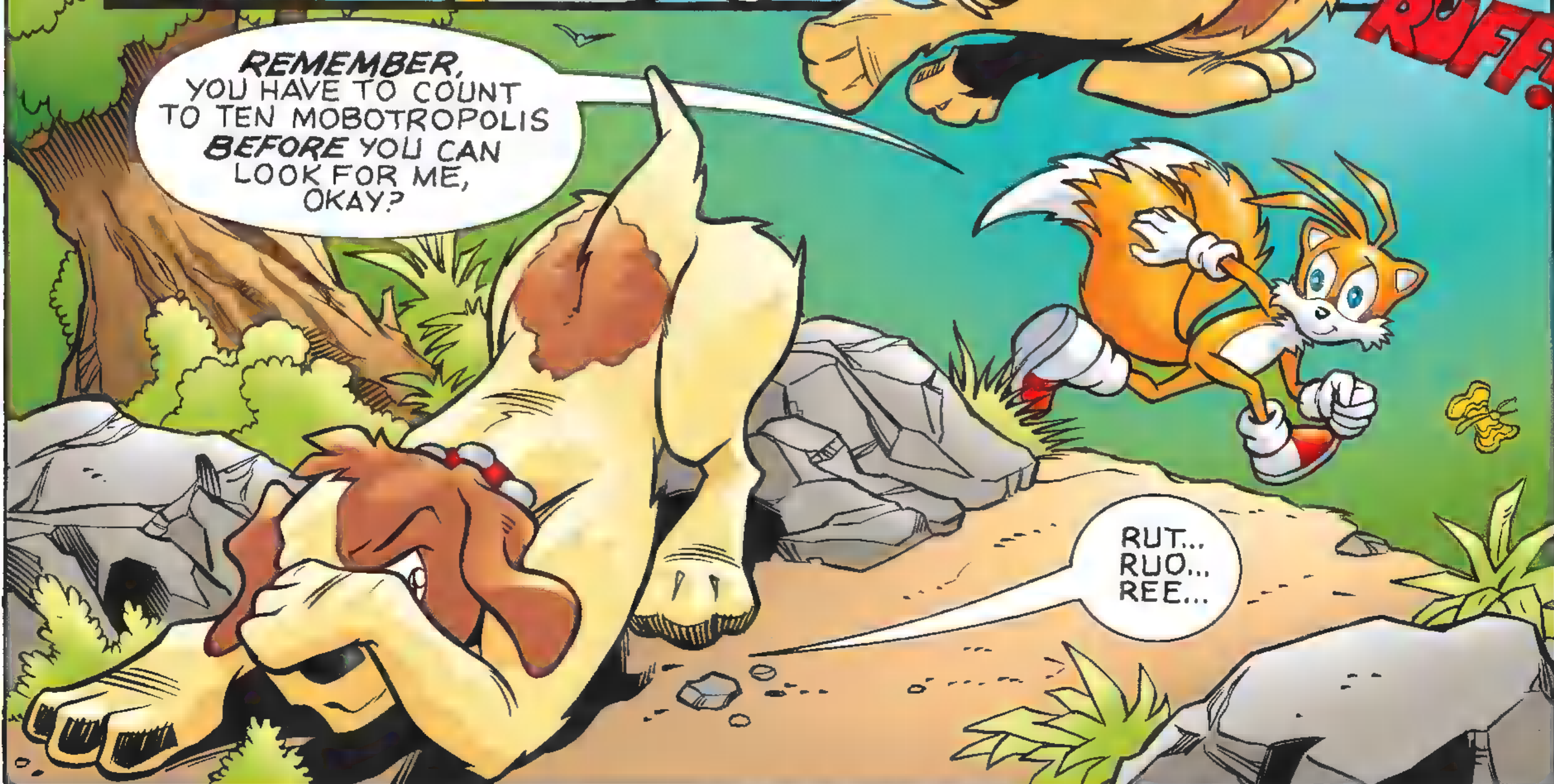
...UNTIL THEY FINISH UP THEIR DAY
WITH A SPIRITED GAME...



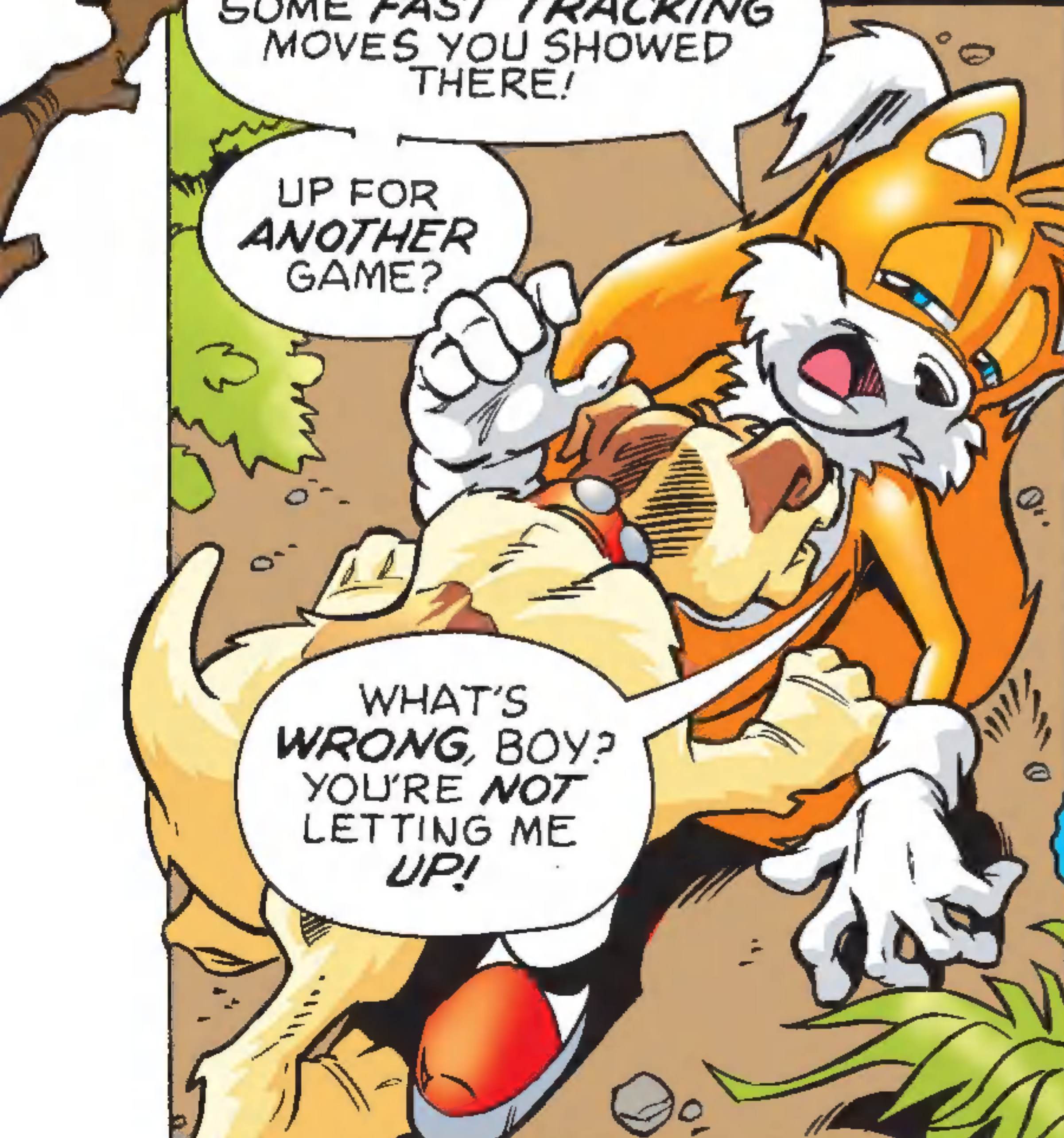
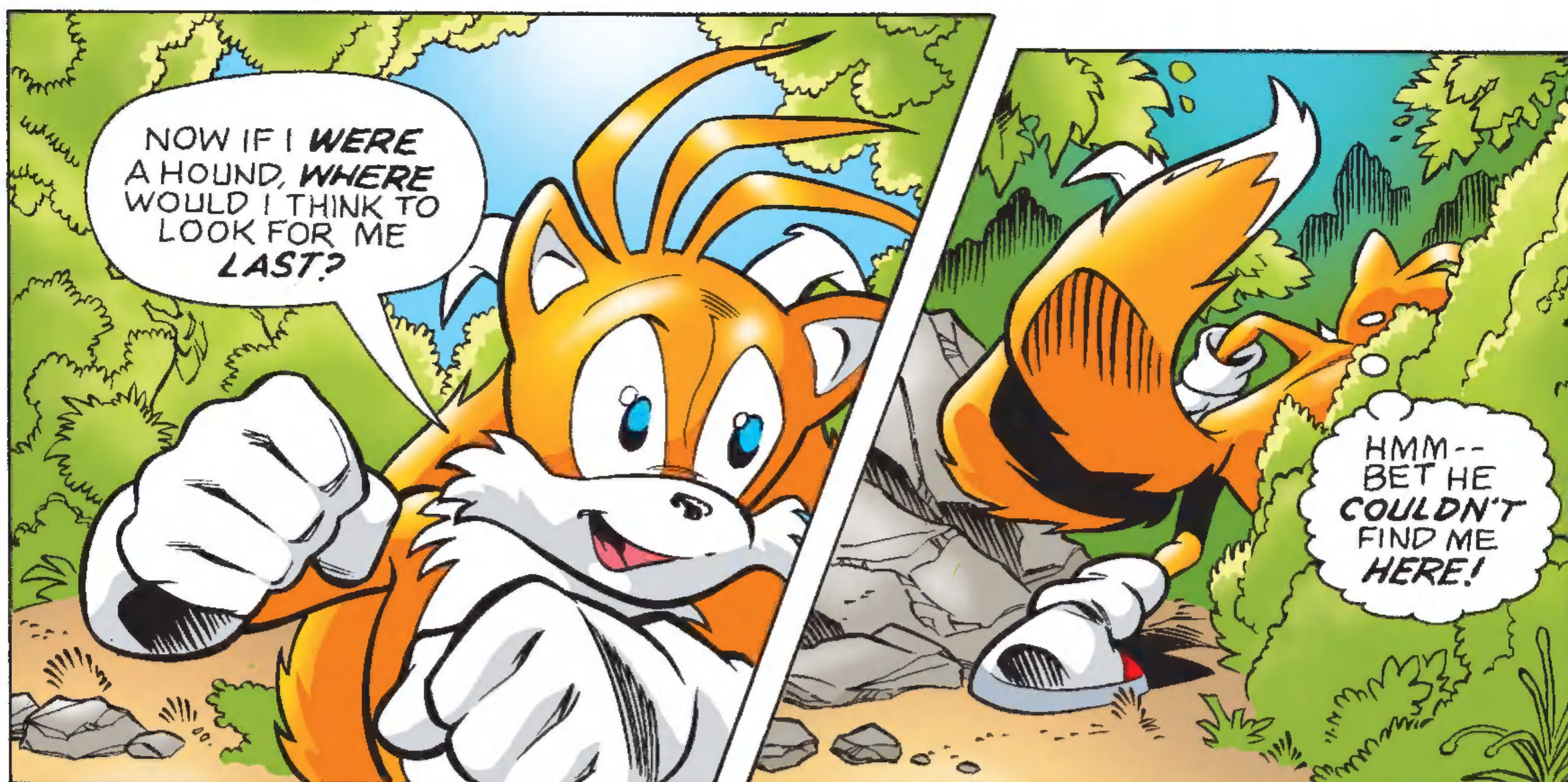
TAG!
YOU'RE
IT!

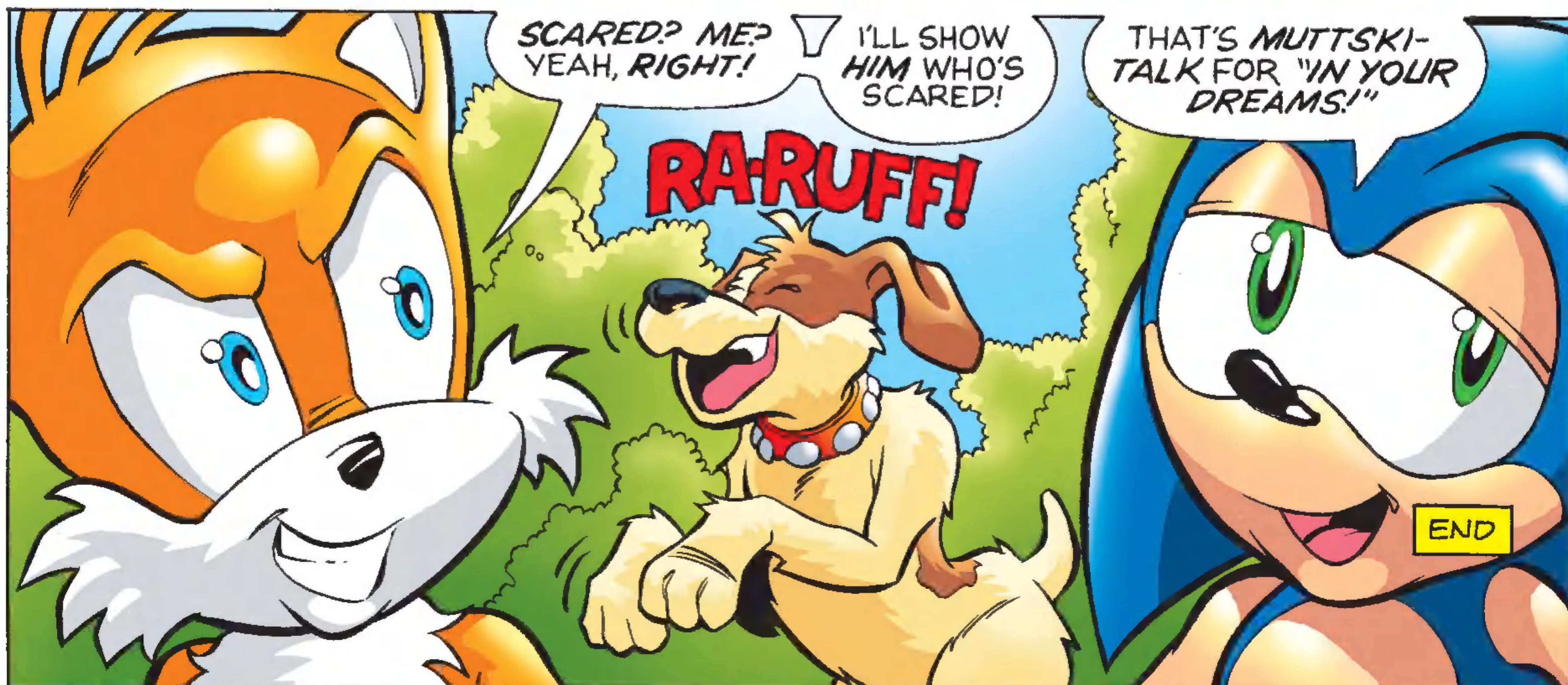
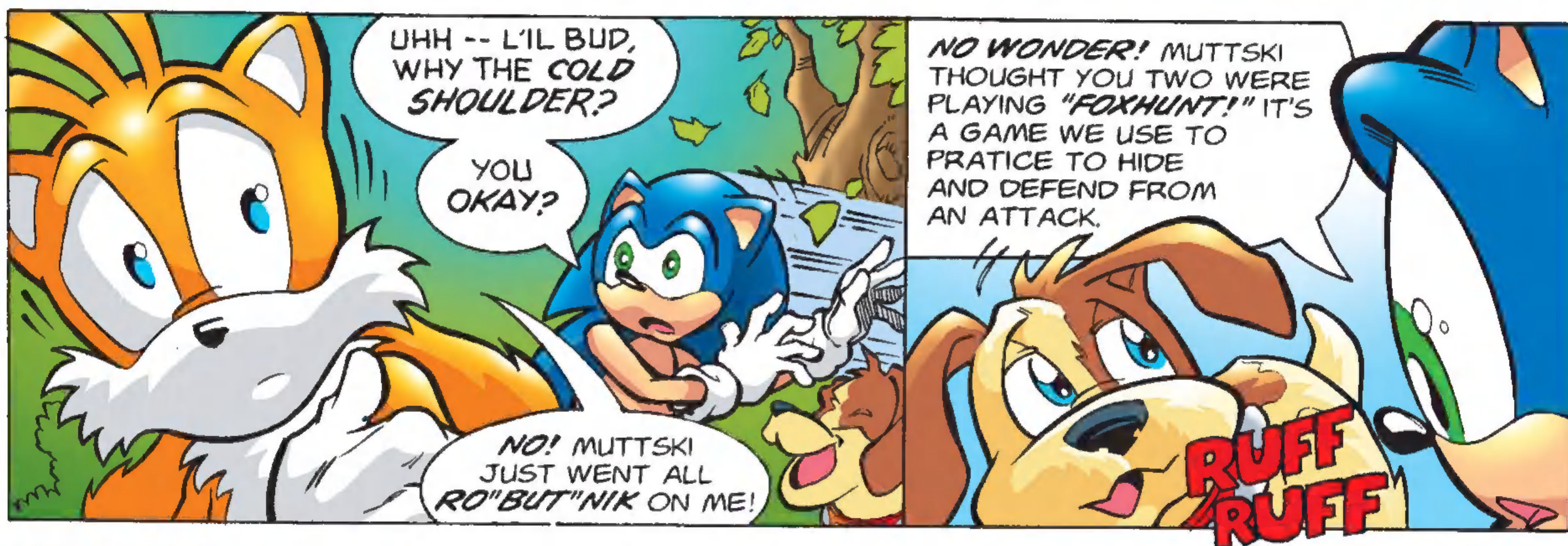
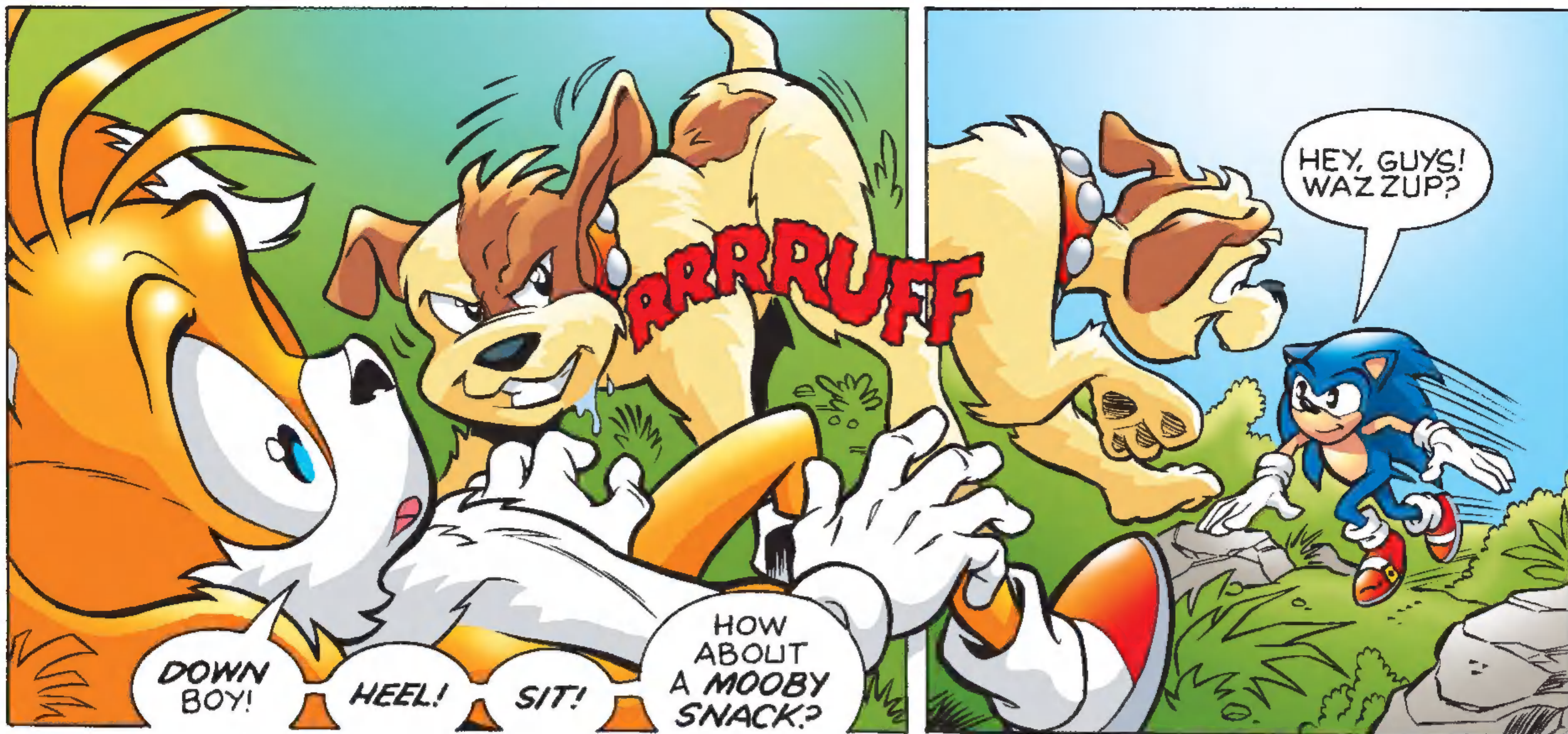


REMEMBER,
YOU HAVE TO COUNT
TO TEN MOBOTROPOLIS
BEFORE YOU CAN
LOOK FOR ME,
OKAY?



RUT...
RUO...
REE...





LETTERS

DUE TO THE OVERWHELMING AMOUNT OF FAN RESPONSE IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO REPLY TO EACH FAN. SPACE LIMITATIONS MAY REQUIRE SOME PRINTED LETTERS TO BE EDITED. ALL YOUR LETTERS ARE APPRECIATED!

Dear SONIC-GRAMS, First of all, SPAZ RULES!!!! Okay... now that that is over with, I would like to say a few words (if my e-mail is read).

Probably not.

To answer a letter from issue 145, I would most certainly have to vote for METAL SONIC as my most wanted character to return. I'm sorry, I know, he is a clichéd character but in my opinion HE KICKS BUTT. I'm deeply sorry if any of you feel differently.

METAL SONIC is awesome! Notice he has returned.

I have been a SONIC fan all my life, in fact, the first video game I remember playing was "SONIC 2" for the SEGA GENESIS. That is a great game.

Yes it is! I hope everyone has picked up the SONIC MEGA COLLECTION and is enjoying all the classic video game goodness! And don't forget to check out the SONIC comic cover gallery ! (Shameless Plug # 1)

I have only recently started collecting the Sonic Comics. But I've been using the SONIC CHECKLIST to obtain some of the more "classic" comics. The SONIC CHECKLIST is a great way to collect SONIC Comics from previous years.

You're awesome! Hear that SONIC fans, a testimonial use of the Checklist! (Shameless Plug # 2)

I do have 2 questions however:

1) Is there anyway to order the very first Sonic

Comics, or are those impossible to get now?

SONIC THE BEGINNING is available on the SONIC CHECKLIST which reprints the very first SONIC mini-series 0-3 which started it all! (Shameless Plug # 3)

2) In M25YL, the ending was a tad confusing!! Could you explain what exactly happened.

No. But I will let you know that we plan on doing a follow up to M:25YL that will explain it all.

Thank you for your time (assuming you even read this e-mail)

Probably not.

- "RIKU" PROCESS
E-MAILED TO: SONIC@ARCHIECOMICS.COM

I really appreciate how I've sent you letters in the past and you've never printed them nor put my name in the find your name in print section.

Thanks, I appreciate it.

- MARK NEELEY
E-MAILED TO: SONIC@ARCHIECOMICS.COM

After reading SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #145, I must say the story is pretty thrilling. LOCKE is on a quest and there is no telling what will happen to him. I love the display of powers, like wielding the Power Chaos. The introduction to the SONIC main players was fabulous. This comic book gives out great information on SONIC,

in which it goes into detail about his super speed and his loyalty to the kingdom of Acorn. Then it goes on to give biographical information on TAILS, KNUCKLES the Echidna and AMY ROSE HEDGEHOG. I liked the description of their powers and this is great information for anyone jumping onto the story for the first time. Then their arch nemesis DOCTOR ROBOTNIK hates them all and this really keeps me right on the edge of my seat!

- PAUL DALE ROBERTS
ELK GROVE, CA

Now that I appreciate.

Hey, It's me again. I was just wondering in SONIC issue 144, what happens to SONIC in the future, and what happened to LARA-SU that caused her to vanish and disappear? Does the future change so much that the future disappears? And if it does will SONIC end up with SALLY? And since LARA SU vanishes does KNUCKLES gets with JULIE SU? What happens to my now and future main man SONIC?

I can't tell you that. Sometime after 150 we will have some answers to your "future" questions.

Anyway, I'm looking forward for the next issue and keep up the good work! See 'ya, wouldn't want to be 'ya. (Yes I would)

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Thanks. Alright gang enjoy the Fan-Art and I will talk to 'ya next month!

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SONIC #150 IS COMING! SONIC X MINI-SERIES SUMMER '05!

START

My, oh, my! I cannot believe how fast SONIC #146 flew off the stands! Actually, wait, I can believe it... SONIC is always the fastest thing around. I have been warning you that this SHADOW storyline would be the one you have been waiting for! Not to mention the return of METAL SONIC, working fans into a furious frenzy! So remember, get yourself a SONIC subscription, and demand SONIC comics at your favorite book stores and comic book shops... just don't be left out. Because I am not giving you my complimentary copy of SONIC, that is my favorite perk of being the editor.

And all of this excitement leads up to the landmark SONIC #150! While I do appreciate all the inquiries, you guys have to stop with the bribes! You will just have to wait to find out what new danger, adventure and love we have waiting for SONIC. And is it ever worth the wait, especially with the SHADOW saga up until then!

Of course, you cannot forget the highly anticipated SONIC X mini-series coming this summer! You will notice in the corner over there, a little sneak peak presented for your monthly entertainment. I hope you are all properly salivating with all the exciting news with the Blue Blur! Oh yes, I can see you SONIC fans drooling out there. Just keep your drool off the comics.

MIKE

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GBU: IGNITION 3 of 4:

The battle of the year continues with SONIC vs. SHADOW vs. METAL SONIC! Things heat up and not even the Freedom Fighters can help SONIC!

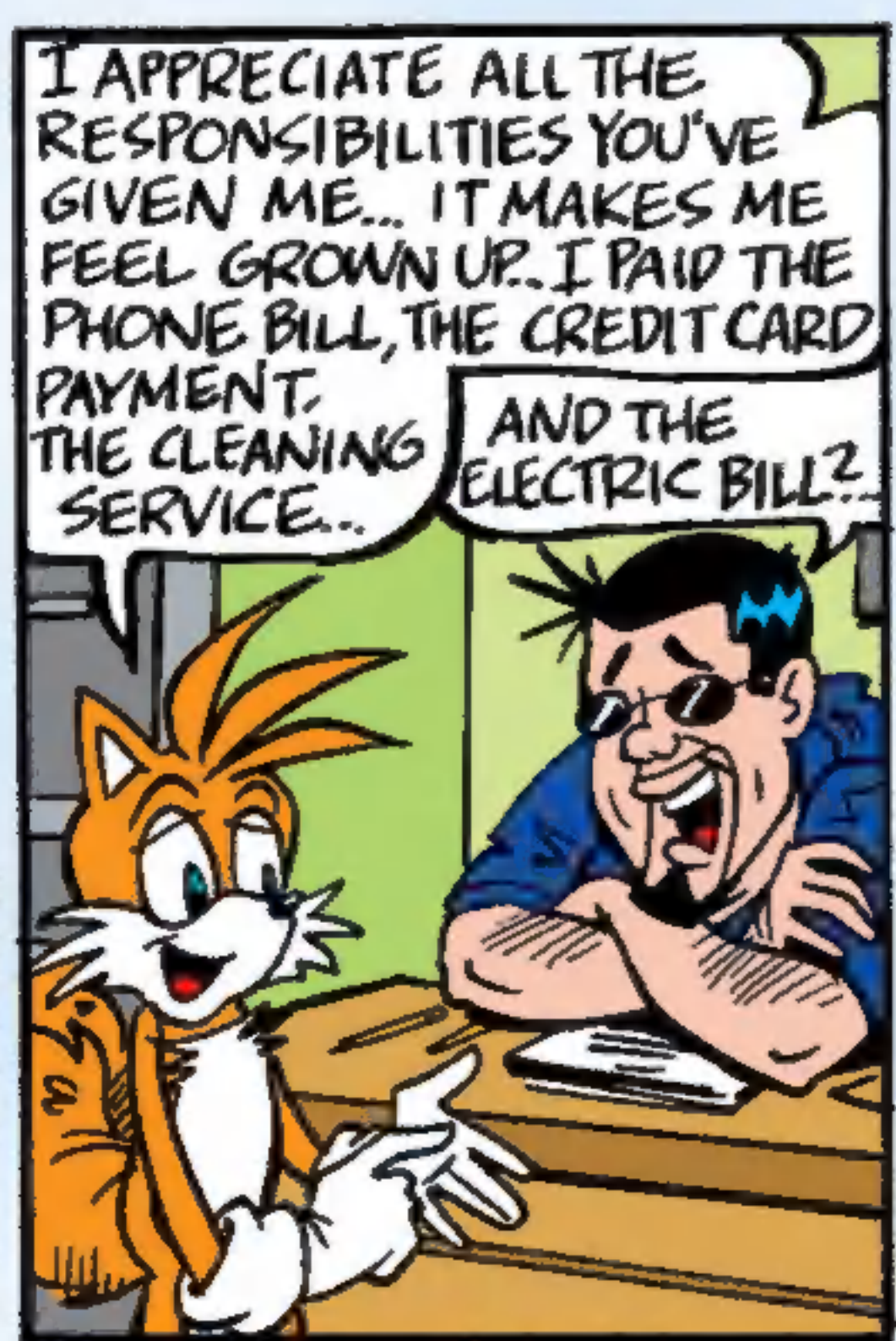
PLAYING AROUND:

SONIC & friends put on a show for Knothole...what could possibly go wrong?

DESTINY'S CHILD:

Featuring TAILS, this is one of the biggest events in his young life. Is Tails the Chosen One? Or is he choosing his destruction?

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SONIC X Mini-Series

Sneak Peak!



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